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M. Paul Ramadier, the Socialist Premier of France in conference with M. Le Trocquer during a meeting of the Socialist National Council pleading for the continuation of the present Government until July.

NO INTENTION TO DISRUPT CONGRESS

Socialists Reorganised Only To Mobilise Masses To Achieve Independence, Says Jaiprakash

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

"Time has come now for the Congress to demand unequivocally the immediate withdrawal of the British Army from India and transfer of power to the Interim Government", declared Mr. Jaiprakash Narain, addressing a public meeting this evening at Chaupatty.

Reviewing the present political situation Mr. Jaiprakash said Gandhiji's 'quit India' slogan has become the 'Quit Asia' cry for the oppressed Asiatics. The wide flung Empire has crippled and Britain has been reduced to a third-rate power in the world. The forces of world events have compelled Britain to change her colonial policy and come to an agreement with Nationalist India".

Characterising Pakistan as 'Gulamistan' Mr. Jaiprakash Narain said, "Britishers are still banking upon the reactionary and anti-nationalist elements in the country to have a base for the British Army and a footing for her commercial and industrial interests".

NO POCKET-BOROUGHS.

Referring to the isolationist policy of the States Mr. Jaiprakash stated "the princes cannot continue their regime without the aid of the British Arm. The cry for 'Independence' by Travancore and other states is nothing but an invitation for the continuation of the British strangle-hold over India". He appealed to the people in the states and outside to fight tooth and nail this unholy game and see that the British pocket-boroughs in the country were not created.

Replying to Sardar Vallabhbhai's appeal to Socialists to remain in the Congress till India attains freedom, Mr. Jaiprakash said that the Rightists had time and again deprived the Socialists of an opportunity to work in the Congress organisation. He assured the Sardar that the Socialist Party was reorganised not with a view to oppose and disrupt the Congress but to mobilise and strengthen the masses to achieve Purna Swaraj. "Congress is a united national front against allied rule and the Socialists are still willing to fight under the banner of Tri-colour to achieve independence".

ABOLITION OF POVERTY.

Mr. Jaiprakash giving the picture of Free India said: "Our struggle and sacrifices will be in vain if we cannot abolish poverty, unemployment, disease and starvation from our country and provide for the common man a decent livelihood which is the true implication of Kisan Mazdoor Praja Raj".

Mr. Achut Patwardhan in the course of his speech said that the Socialists did not want to oust the Congress from power. But they desired to eliminate the hypocrite and power-seeking elements flocking round the Congress and attempting to make it an instrument for gratifying their selfish ends.

Referring to the communal disturbances in the country Mr. Achut Patwardhan stated: "The only panacea for the Hindu-Muslim tangle is Socialism and establishment of people's Government.

Mrs. Aruna Asafali describing Mr. Jinnah as "the arch-enemy of Muslims of India" remarked that "when the sun of freedom has dawned Mr. Jinnah has cast a cloud of darkness and despair on the Indian sky."

ITALIAN PREMIER RESIGNS

ROME, May 13. (A.P.A.): Premier Alcide de Gasperi handed his resignation to provisional President Enrico de Nicola to-day as socialists and Christian Democrats charged each other with responsibility for the coalition Government's collapse.

De Gasperi's troubles with his Communist and Socialist ministers boiled over again today and he calmly scrapped his third straight Government.

It was the sixth Italian ministry to fall since the Allies occupied Rome in June, 1943.

The big questions tonight were: Firstly, would Signor de Gasperi,—worn by months of striving to keep an uneasy balance between his Middle-Of-The-Road Party and the Left and worried over the country's lack of confidence in his administration—try again? Secondly, would he or another premier attempt to govern without the powerful Italian Communist Party and its socialist statellites.

RUSSIA CAN'T AFFORD ANOTHER WAR

WASHINGTON, (I.P.S.): It is the view of the American technical experts that the Soviet Union cannot afford another war. The Russians, they say, are expected to back down on the diplomatic front rather than creating a fighting front. Grudging diplomatic concessions from Russia in the next few months are expected according to observers in the State Department.

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

NEW YORK COTTON OCTOBER.
NEW YORK, May 13.

Previous Closing	29.19
Today's Opening	29.03
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Today's Closing	28.88
Difference	—31

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NEW YORK, May 13.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—
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ISMAY REPORTS SITUATION TO BE TENSE

British Plan To Quit Earlier Than June '48?

LONDON, May 13, (Reuter): The reason for the postponement of General Lord Ismay's return from London to India with the British Cabinet's reaction to his report, according to authoritative quarters today, is to enable further consideration to be given to the various points in the proposed plan of procedure to enable India to reach a final decision on the fundamental basis for transfer of power, cables Fraser Wighton, Reuter's political correspondent.

ISMAY TO MEET EXPERTS TODAY

Lord Ismay and his colleagues today conferred with high officials of the India Office and it was expected that a meeting with Cabinet India experts would be called for tomorrow. The meeting with the Cabinet members, previously arranged for to-day was cancelled.

Incidentally authoritative quarters deny that the postponement of the conference, at which the Viceroy is to place the British plan of procedure before Indian leaders, reflects any Cabinet disunity. There has been speculation in British newspapers upon the suggestion in a report from New Delhi that the British Government may hand over its responsibilities earlier than June 1948. It is learned that no new development has taken place in this connection since the British statement of February 20.

INDIAN LEADERS MUST COME TO AGREEMENT

The position is that just as soon as British India decides the future shape of her constitutional structure and it become clear to what authority or authorities power can be transferred, necessary preparation can be put in hand within the time-table specified. But obviously, no positive steps for assumption by India of full responsibility for her affairs can be taken until India's representatives have finally decided the issue of Unitary Government versus Partition in one form or another.

Political observers sum up the issue by saying that the situation in India, according to reports reaching London clearly indicates an urgent need for closing of the Indian political ranks, if not in agreement, at least on the basis of agreement to disagree, and thus to bring to an end the present dangerous state of affairs.

CABINET-APPROVED PLAN READY

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter): The political correspondent of the "Daily Herald", the official organ of the British Labour Party, says that when the Viceroy Lord Mountbatten meets Indian leaders at Simla on June 2, he will have ready a Cabinet-approved plan for handing over authority.

"This will be advanced if Indians themselves cannot produce an agreed plan for a United India" the correspondent continues.

"It has been urged by the British Government and stressed by the Viceroy that for political, economic and national reasons it is most desirable that the Cabinet Mission's 1946 plan be accepted.

"But if Indian leaders cannot reach an agreement on this fundamental issue, the British Government is not prepared to delay decisions."

The Viceroy has reached provisional conclusions for a solution of the problem if the attempt to secure an All-India Government fails, (which now seems likely) and the Cabinet has suggested various minor changes, but the basic principles laid down by the Viceroy remain, the correspondent adds.

VICEROY'S S. O. S. TO C.-IN-C.

According to the "Daily Mail" reporter, Field-Marshal Sir Claude Auchinleck, Commander-in-Chief of India, will fly back to New Delhi tomorrow following urgent communications from the Viceroy, Viscount Mountbatten. He says that Lord Ismay has reported that the position is "tense".

The "Daily Mirror" reported declares that the grave situation which has arisen in India may lead to the withdrawal of British troops before the date fixed—June next year. "I understand that Lord Ismay has reported to the Cabinet that no progress has been made", he writes.

"There is no indication of any possible agreement between the Muslims and the Congress Party.

"The Cabinet have, therefore, considered withdrawing from India earlier than anticipated. It is felt that this offers the only hope of Indians

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RETURN TO GOLD DOLLAR

U. S. To Take Many Years: Conviction In Wall Street

NEW YORK, May 13. (Reuter): The United States will not return to a gold dollar basis for many years to come, is the conviction Wall Street holds to-day, according to a survey completed by Reuter.

High-level business, bullion and banking executives, who were interviewed, almost unanimously conceded that there was at present no apparent reason for the United States to return to the gold dollar. The opinion was also expressed that there is sufficient evidence at hand to indicate that Congress is generally satisfied with the present monetary system subject of course, to certain minor corrections of a technical nature.

A mild agitation, such as was witnessed a few months ago, for a return of gold coinage, was primarily carried on by the "Economists National Committee of Monetary Policy" who last February suggested two programmes for monetary reform for the consideration of Congress and President Truman.

This agitation has to some extent contributed to placing the United States dollar at the pinnacle of demand in the world's currency market and because of recent currency adjustments in the domestic economies of many foreign countries, including India and Great Britain, the attention of the world has again been focussed on the position of gold in the United States.

LENDING NOW A DANGER

WASHINGTON, May 12. (Reuter): American financial aid to foreign countries is over-extending "public credit" of the United States to "breaking point", said the Chairman of the House of Representatives Banking and Currency Committee.

The President of the Export-Import Bank at the same time informed the Committee of the growing seriousness of dollar shortages abroad testifying that the United States Government is already running the risk of default on outstanding credits as a result of the continuing gap between imports and exports.

Favouring increasing of imports to approximate the equilibrium with exports and to give the debtor countries necessary dollars to repay the United States loans, he declared, "in terms of lending I am perfectly willing to say that we are in a danger zone now."

Asked to expand on this statement he said that it was wrong to assume that he opposed further credits which President Truman might deem necessary to further implement the policy enunciated in his speech before Congress last March.

LEAGUERS BLOCK INDIA'S DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS

LONDON, May 12. (I. P. A.): Muslim League circles here, while not elated by Mr. Chundrgar's first hand reports of Indian developments, claim credit for blocking appointment of new High Commissioner in London.

It is reliably believed this and other diplomatic appointments are claimed as League share of the spoils, alternatively they prefer the vacancies to wait till Pakistan arrives. It is understood the new India Secretary Lord Listowel is not backing them unlike Lord Pethwick-Lawrence, who is considered to have favoured Congress and agreed to all Nehru's nominees.

SILCHAR ARRESTS

SILCHAR (Assam), May 13. (A.P.I.): The police dispersed today a public meeting held at Patak Bazar under the auspices of the Muslim League in defiance of the prohibitory order and arrested several League leaders.

Plea For Linguistic Provinces

MADRAS, May 13, (A.P.I.): A plea for the creation of linguistic provinces for the unhampered development of language, literature and culture of each unit was made by Dr. Radhakumud Mookerji in his inaugural address of All-India League of Linguistic Provinces yesterday.

Linguistic diversity, he said, should be maintained and fostered on principle by a National Government which must stand on national culture.

Supporting the claims of the linguistic division of the Madras Province into four units, Dr. Mookerji pointed out that even though a linguistic area may not be economically independent and self-contained, it might be possible to assure that unit its separate cultural evolution by a suitable administrative arrangement.

Referring to the demand for division of Bengal, Dr. Mookerji stated that Hindus of Bengal felt that they should have an administration which would advance their national and linguistic interests properly. He added it was the duty of the whole of India to see that Bengalee Hindus to whom the freedom struggle owed so much were not let down by any kind of political arrangement".

SPEEDY RECONSTITUTION

The conference which concluded its two-day session to-day unanimously passed a resolution "strongly urging upon the authorities concerned to immediately reconstitute the provinces in India as far as possible as linguistic, cultural and homogeneous units."

The conference further demanded the immediate appointment of a Boundary Commission or Commissions to go into the cases of provincial readjustments to fix their proper boundaries and to equip each of these units with its own legislatures, executive and adequate financial resources by adjustments with the Central and Provincial revenues as a preliminary to the formation of the All-India Union.

It is also urged as a tentative measure during the transition period, the setting up of an Interim Administration for each unit to take charge of its special interests, cultural and economic, pending its transformation into a full-fledged province.

Dr. Radhakumud Mookerjee was elected President and Mr. K. S. Ramaswami Sastriar and the Raja of Bobbili Vice-Presidents for the coming year.

STOP PRESS

WITHDRAWAL BEFORE JUNE '48 NOT CONFIRMED

LONDON, May 13 (U.P.A.): Press reports that Viscount Mountbatten may propose that Britain withdraw from India before the target date of June 1948 could not be confirmed in authoritative quarters to-day.

GERMANY FACES CHAOS

LONDON, May 13. (Reuter): Latest reports from Germany indicate the growing severity of the crisis there. All firms in Flensburg, near the Danish border, closed today as the workers demonstrated against food shortage. Town Councils in the Ruhr resigned, saying that they would do no more work until the situation improved. The Prime Minister of North Rhine, Westphalia Province, former, United States President, saying that unless far-reaching help arrives soon, "There will be no more Germans prepared to take on responsible political tasks. The Ruhr and the heart of Europe may then be threatened with chaos".

BRITAIN'S NEW COTTON PLAN.

LONDON, May 13. (Reuter): The Government's plan for centralised buying of cotton has now passed through both the Houses of Parliament with the Third Reading to-day in the House of Lords of the bill giving effect to it. It had already passed through the House of Commons and now only awaits formal Royal assent before becoming law.

PRESIDENT INONU VISITS DARDANELLES.

ANKARA, May 13. (Reuter): President Ismet Inonu of Turkey, who is touring the sea of Marmara and the Dardanelles areas to-day visited Gallipoli and Chanak. Reports that he would visit the Lebanon and Transjordan next October were denied today in reliable quarters.

JAPANESE VICE-PRESIDENT OF VIET MINH COMMITTEE ARRESTED.

SAIGON, May 13. (Reuter): The Japanese Vice-President of the Viet Minh Political Committee, who also commanded a large force of Viet Nam guerillas, was taken prisoner near Haiphong late last night, according to a semi-official French dispatch received here to-day.

His name was not revealed in the dispatch.

Elsewhere, Viet Nam forces mined and blew up the railroad connecting Hanoi with Haiphong on the coast while patrol Activities continued in Northern Tonkin, the reports said.

Vittorio Mussolini, son of Il Duce (on left) as he looked when caught by the Argentine Police after entering their country. On the right is Sr. Segundo Peonie Godoy, the editor of "Shinade" a weekly paper of Argentina.

BRITISH GOVT. RESPONDS TO MAHATMA'S CALL?

London Reports Indicate Token Withdrawal May Commence Immediately

LONDON, May 13: The "I.P.A." learns that there is no truth behind the elation in Muslim circles here that Mr. Chundrigar's interview with Mr. Attlee had caused the British Cabinet to change its mind. A high authority hinted to "I.P.A." that Britain may quit India much earlier than June 1948 and that token withdrawal may commence immediately.

It might be recalled that Mahatmaji had recently asked the British to quit immediately as a gesture of good faith. A letter received by an Indian here from a influential friend reveals that the latter had asked Gandhiji whether he was prepared to face the consequences of immediate withdrawal of the British army, and the Mahatma had replied: "I am prepared."

It is reported that the Cabinet is realising that the gesture of immediate withdrawal might force reactionary elements to behave responsibly.

BENGAL PARTITION ISSUE

Suhrawardy To See Viceroy And Jinnah

NEW DELHI, May 13. (A.P.I.): Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy, Premier of Bengal, arrived here this afternoon from Calcutta.

The Bengal Premier, who is understood to be on a political mission, will see the Viceroy and Mr. Jinnah to-morrow in connection with the demand for a partition of the province. Mr. Suhrawardy who has declared his opposition to any partition of the province and has sponsored the proposal for a United Sovereign Bengal, had a number of interviews with Mahatma Gandhi and certain other prominent Congress leaders in Bengal before he left for Delhi. It is understood that Mr. Suhrawardy will discuss the whole position with Mr. Jinnah in the light of the discussions he has had already with Congress leaders.

The Bengal Premier is believed to have brought certain proposals for the consideration of the League High Command.

Mr. Suhrawardy is expected to stay in Delhi for two or three days.

HELP STATES TO DEFEND RIGHTS

Khaliquzzaman's Directive To Leaguers

BHOPAL, May 13. (A.P.I.): Mr. Chaudhri Khaliquzzaman, Member of the Muslim League Working Committee who is here on a brief personal visit, in a statement to-day says that "while the Muslim League has so far religiously refrained from interfering with the internal problems of the States or meddling with their affairs, it cannot surely allow any party to coerce the states into submission.

He urges the States Muslim Leaguers to close their ranks and vigilantly watch the developments and be prepared to help the states to defend their rights against what he calls "the organised attempt of the Congress to dictate their policy."

Mr. Chaudhri Khaliquzzaman is leaving to-day for Hyderabad (Deccan) to attend the Urdu Conference. Leaders of Bhopal State Muslim League and Bhopal Women Muslim League had separate interviews with him.

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The Sportsman's Sportsfolio

Trades Triumph In Nadkarni Cup

(By J. C. MAITRA)

Contrary to expectations, the trial of strength between Trades and G.I.P. Railway in the second leg of the Nadkarni Cup final turned out to be a tame affair. The Railway forwards failed to work out a concerted plan of attack—with the result their campaigns floundered against slightest opposition. Tulley has been talked of highly as a centre-forward. But his efforts did not bring about the desired result as there was little co-operation between the ranks. Were it not for the herculean efforts of Pavey and Almeida in the deep defence and D'Silva between the sticks, the Railway would have suffered a heavier defeat than 5-2.

RATHNAM'S HEADER

By the way, I must mention the marvellous goal which Rathnam saved with a header in the nick of time. With Sanjiva out of his citadel, Tulley banged a low drive which was a cent per cent goal. But the Trades left-back appeared from nowhere, as it were, and saved the situation. Such interceptions and clearance are indeed rare even in soccer. If the G.I.P. were favoured with this goal, the fate of the match might have been altogether different. That was not to be. The Trades had their luck and came out of the fray with flying colours. Barefooted play did the trick for them.

ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT

The Trades were in a more advantageous position than their rivals, being a goal ahead on the last encounter's tally. One more goal by Rashad practically sealed the fate of the Railway. There was little interest left in the fight thereafter. I must however repeat that the Trades will have to improve a good deal to emulate the brilliant example of their predecessors, the W.I.A.A. staff.

Rashad appeared to be so tired in the second half that he was lying offside most of the time—looking for an opportunity to score a goal on the sly! The appearance of Sunny Raymond as inside-right and transfer of Carab to the right wing improved the front line appreciably. But the anxiety of the defenders to overfeed the left flank reduced their damaging capacity.

TEN YARDS RULE

I was rather surprised to see Referee Jayaraman allowing the second goal against the G.I.P. When Parab was about to take the free-kick, Thomas rushed towards him which clearly violated the ten-yard rule. Does it not lay down that when a free-kick is taken, nobody should be within ten yards of the ball?

Otherwise, Jayaraman's supervision of all games has been really good. He appears to be the best referee we have in Bombay to-day. With a little more experience of handling big matches, I think he would be as Sushil Ghosh. He needs to be more alert and active too. I understand he has been appointed Secretary of the Referees Committee. As one who is keenly intercsted in the game, I expect him to be a thorough success.

GETTING SHORTER

As a step towards the preparation of our players, I suppose, the W.I.F.A. has reduced the size of their ground by 5 yards each way. As it was the Cooperage was smaller in size than the Calcutta grounds—for which the visiting teams from the East used to complain to me whenever they came here. Now they will find it somewhat like a back-yard, wherein they will be too cramped to have a free play of their limbs. But how will our players feel when they will land at Wembly? The vastness of it will awe them out of their senses. Then 90 minutes' play—I am not bothering about the extra time as there will be no chance for that—with boots on will demand strength and stamina which the facilities provided by the W.I.F.A. can never be attained.

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NANDA EXPLAINS IDEALS OF A. I. N. T. U. C.

Guiding Principles Are To Conduct Democratic And Peaceful Labour Movement

BOMBAY, Tuesday.—"The guiding principles of any Trade Union movement are that its basis should be democratic and its means peaceful. It is to subserve these ends that the Indian National Congress has sponsored the new All-India National Trade Union Congress," said Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Labour Minister, in an interview with "The Sentinel" this morning.

The All-India Trade Union Congress, he added, as at present, constituted and dominated by Communists, did not appear to subscribe to these essential principles of Trade Unionism. The main object of starting the new organisation was to serve the interests of labour peacefully, and not by violent means, as practised by Communists.

Referring to the reported objection of Socialists that the Congress-sponsored Union would wean Muslims, Mr. Nanda said the communal issue was a temporary one and when it was resolved along with the political issue, this difficulty would disappear. He made it clear that the new organisation was in no way dominated by the Congress. Only the sponsors, who had been working in the Indian Trade Union movement for the last many years, happened to be Congress men.

The Labour Minister said that he would issue a detailed statement within a day or two answering the objections of Socialists to the new movement.

A full-fledged office of the All-India National Trade Union Congress will be opened in Bombay by the week-end and regular enrolment of members will begin soon after.

NANDA VISITS FACTORIES

BOMBAY, Tuesday.—Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Labour Minister, visited the group of industries at Walchandnagar near Poona yesterday and contacted the management and workers with a view to bringing about an amicable settlement of the labour dispute there. He addressed a meeting of workers, when he explained the labour policy of the Government. The workers welcomed the opportunity to ventilate their grievances to the Minister.

As a result of the Labour Minister's consultations with the Union and the management, it is learnt, negotiations will be started shortly between them for effecting an early redressal of the workers' grievances.

Incorporation Of S. W. Africa Into S. A. Union

United Party Leader Outlines Terms For Annexation

WINDHOEK, May 13 (Reuter): In the Legislative Assembly of South-West-Africa yesterday Colonel J. H. Hamman, Leader of the United Party, stated that his party envisaged incorporation of South-West Africa into the Union of South Africa and extension to the Union of sovereignty over the territory.

Colonel Hamman, whose party comprises all but two of the Assembly, said that this step must be taken after agreement with the Union Government on constitutional economic and financial relations between the two countries.

Pending realisation of these aims, Colonel Hamman said, the party urged:—

Firstly, representation in the Union Parliament, and, if possible, in the Cabinet and other subsidiary bodies which took decisions affecting the territory.

Secondly, the establishment of finacial relations between the territory and the union on a healthy footing by way of negotiation.

Thirdly, amendment of the South-West Africa Consitution Act of 1925 in such a way that the Legislative Assembly became fully representative, that it be given full control over the country's finances and that powers reserved under the act, be taransferred to the Legislative Assembly.

Colonel Hamman added that his party would co-operate with any other partv which shared the same object and they would continue to prosecute their cause to do all their power to bring about its realisation.

INDIA TO MEET FRANCE NEXT THURSDAY

Second Round Of Davis Cup Competition

PARIS, May 12. (Reuter) The Indian Lawn Tennis Team to meet France in the second round of the Davis Cup Competition starting here next Thursday was announced here to-day by their Manager, Mr. Gupta. Sumant Misra and Ghaus Mohammed will play singles, while Misra will team with J. Mehta for the doubles. Iftikhar Ahmed is a reserve.

Mr. Gupta said that after almost a week's practice on the Roland Garros courts here, where the tie will be played, the Indian players still found their timing was not, what it was on grass surfaces, but hoped that another two days' training would improve matters.

"Our chances depend almost entirely on Misra", Mr. Gupta said. "If he is on his game we should win." Misra himself refused to make any predictions. "We will do our best", he said, "that is about all I can promise".

2 1-2 LACS AS UNCLAIMED INTEREST

Trust To Utilise Amount To Advance Muslim Education

POONA, May 10.

Mr. Ahmed E. P. Jaffer, M. L. A., (Central) has received a letter from the Hon. Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, Finance Member, making an offer of Rs. 2,50,000 in place of Government of India's previous offer of Rs. 1,30,000 in respect of unclaimed interest due to Muslims in the Post Office Savings Bank accounts. This amount is fixed for the period commencing from 1927 when the resolution of the late Sir Ebrahim Haroon Jaffer was adopted in the Council of State and ending the financial year 31st March 1947.

This amount would be handed over to a Trust to be constituted under the provisions of the Charitable Endowments Act 1890, the administrators of which would be elected from among the Muslim Members of both the Houses of Central Legislature. The fund will be utilised for the advancement of education among Muslims.

LONDON, May 12 (Reuter): The Irish Red Cross Society sent Rs. 1,337,500 to India during 1946 for famine relief, says the Society's record of activities report issued today.

BE CONSTITUTIONAL MONARCH

Shankerrao's Plea To Janjira Ruler

JANJIRA, May 12 (A.P.I.): Mr. Shankar Rao Deo, General Secretary of the Indian National Congress, inaugurating the Janjira State People's Conference here yesterday, attended by over 6,000 people, declared that the power of the state rulers was derived from the people and that if the rulers tried to thwart the people's desire to join the future Indian Union, the Congress, as a people's body would lend its support to the people.

He congratulated the Nawab of Janjira for his declaration that Janjira would join the Indian Union. He called upon him to see that Janjira, which was a Marathi-speaking state with Marathi as the court language, was transferred back to the Deccan States' Agency from the Gujerat States' Agency, in which it was placed at present.

Referring to the new "constitution" which the Nawab had recently announced, Mr. Deo said "it is hardly calculated to satisfy the aspirations of the people of the state. I urge him to propose a new scheme in which he will be strictly a constitutional monarch".

TEA AUCTIONS

COLOMBO, May 12. (A.P.I.): This week's tea auctions at which 4,241,4.8 pounds were offered, the market was considerably easier for all broken grades and for good pegoes. The highest price was three rupees per pound for fowery B.O.P.

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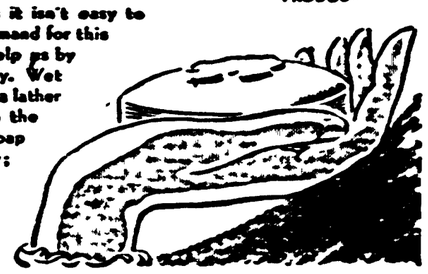

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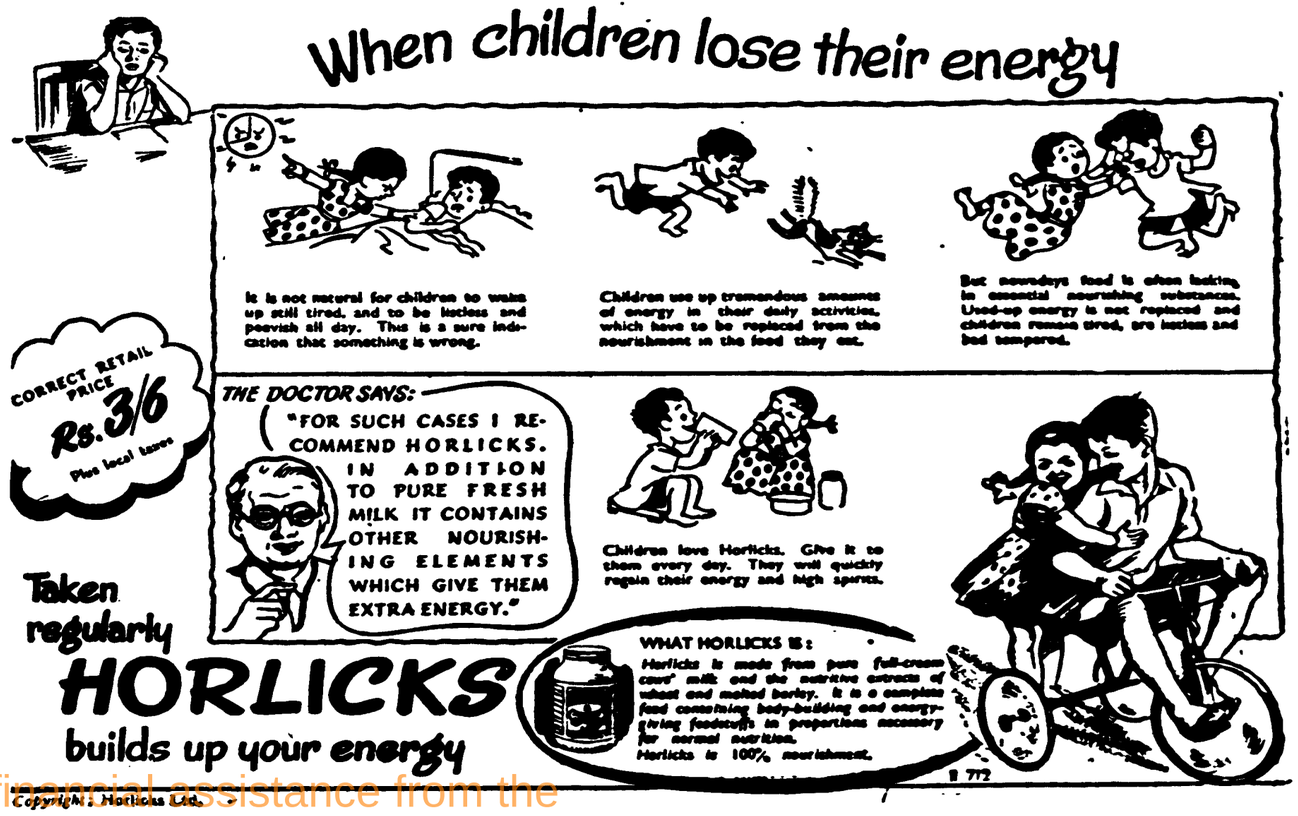
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MUNICIPAL STANDING COMMITTEE: 3-30 p.m. (B.T.).

Today's Engagements

RELIGIOUS DISCOURSE: Swami Bhaskareshvaranandaji, the President of Ramakrishna Ashram, Nagpur, will give a religious discourse at 7 p.m. at Ramkrishna Vivekananda Centre, Dadar (B.B. & C.I.)

DASTUR BODE'S LECTURE: At 6 p.m. at Alexandra Girls' School Hall, Waudby Road Dasturji Bode will lecture on "The Origin and Development of Iranian Culture".

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Public meeting for the study of "Notes on Bhagavad-Gita" today at 6-15 p.m. at Jehangir Wadia Building, Opp. Flora Fountain.

BOMBAY TAMIL SANGHAM: Lecture on "Hindi Literature" by Mr. T. S. Seshadri at 6-30 p.m. at the Sangham premises.

GIRGAUM DISTRICT CONGRESS: Managing Council of the G.D.C.C. has accepted the resignations of the following office-bearers: Prof. D. R. Gharpure (President), Sjt. Y. K. Khadilkar (Vice-President), Sjt. M. D. Dandekar and Sjt. M. G. Samant (Jt. Hon. Secretaries), Sjt. S. G. Songaonkar (Treasurer) and has elected the following new office-bearers: Sjt. G. B. Mahashabde (President), Smt. Maniben N. Desai (Treasurer), Sjt. Navanit M. Gandhi and Sjt. S. V. Sovani Jt. Hon. Secretaries).

ENTERIC FEVER: The Government of Bombay has revived the practice of sending round a medical officer from the Haffkine Institute, Bombay, to collect clinical material in Bombay City and Suburbs in suspected cases of enteric fever.

INOCULATION FOR PANDHARPUR ASHADHI FAIR

The Ashadi Fair at Pandharpur is to be held in the last week of June 1947, the chief day being June 29.

As compulsory mass inoculation will be enforced and entry of uninoculated persons will be prohibited, all pilgrims are advised to get themselves inoculated against cholera before they start on the pilgrimage. Arrangements are being made at all Civil Hospitals and Dispensaries for free inoculation of the intending pilgrims who will be given a certificate of inoculation on a Government form by the Medical Officer, which should be carefully preserved and produced at Pandharpur. Uninoculated persons will be prevented from entering Pandharpur during the Fair. Free inoculation will be offered at Pandharpur to the uninoculated pilgrims who wish to qualify themselves for the entry.

Government House News

BOMBAY, Tuesday: Lady Colville visited the European Pensioners' and Widows' Home at Nesbit Hall, Nesbit Road.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

WEDNESDAY, May 14.
BOMBAY—1.

244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—7-30 a.m. Swar Kalika (by D'Amel) 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 Baburao Kulkarni (Sitar) 8-45 Selection from "Phulawat" (Aneel) 9-0 Niwruttibuwa Sarnaik (Bilawal).

12-0 p.m. Variety programme (H) 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Halke Aur Pakke Gane (Pad) 1-25 News (E) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Music 4-30 Akkupai Pasupleti (Khayal Vilambit and Drut Bhimpalas) 4-40 Purushottam Gandharva (Purla Dhanashri) 5-0 Baburao Kulkarni (Sitar) 5-15 Ananda Wagle (Multani) 5-45 Topic of Day 5-55 Locals 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Dabke Master (Eman) 6-30 Nathalal Dave Krut Geeto (Gujarati Geet) 6-45 Sardar Mansur (Thumri) 7-0 Purushottam Gandharva (Vocal) 7-30 Raat ki jot: Programme (H) 7-45 Tujhi Majhi Preet 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Readings from own poems by Pinakin Trivedi 8-45 Shiva Sagarika 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 B.B.C. News 9-40 Programme Parade 9-45 Growth of Modern Political Thought (Indian scene: Talk) 10-0 Ananda Wagle (Shankara) 10-15 Niwruttibuwa Sarnaik (Shudh Kalyan).

Weather News For Farmers

FORECAST TILL THURSDAY MORNING:—Isolated thunder-storms with very light rain may occur in eastern Telungana and Nalgonda.

OUTLOOK FOR FURTHER 2 DAYS:—Dry weather.

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"JAGRATI"

Sunday marked the birth of a new Kannada Weekly in Bombay "Jagrati" is the name of the journals. Devoted to the service of the common man, the aim of the journal is to continue the battle for freedom. The able Editorial Board is headed by Srimati Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya. The journal is profusely illustrated and neatly got up. It fills a long felt void in the life of Kannadigas in Bombay.

A feature of the first number is the wide interest evinced by Indian leaders whose messages of good wishes and encouragement spread over two pages.

Srimati Kamaladevi's article on "90 Years of Struggle" Symbolised the 90th anniversary of the first "War of Indian Independence", generally described as the mutiny and the dawning of freedom which seems to be so near.

PEOPLE'S THEATRE TO STAGE "ALLAHBELI"

Depicts Colourful Episode Of 1857 Rebellion

In August 1946, People's Theatre had staged Gunvantrai Acharya's powerful Gujrati play "Allahbeli", depicting a true and colourful episode of the Rebellion of 1857. At that time, the play became exceedingly popular and won warm tributes from the critics. But since then due to riots and other exigencies the play could not be performed.

Now that the situation has improved in Bombay, People's Theatre is again staging "Allahbeli" at Bhangwadi Theatre on Tuesday 20th May and Friday 23rd May at 9 p.m. But for a couple of changes, the cast is the same as that which had appeared in last August and it includes Leela Jhariwala, Sudha Shah, Chandrika Thakor, Bharati Shukla, Chapshibhai Nagda, Pratap Oza, Pinakin Shah, Kamlesh Thakkar and Vyas.

The tickets for this play are available at People's Theatre office, Prof. Deodhar School of Music, Opp. Opera House every evening.

FUTURE-PROGRAMME.

While "Allahbeli" is being staged next week preparations are well nigh completed to stage new plays in Hindustani and Telegu. The Hindustani play entitled "Deshbhagat" is a powerful play and is expected to be released next month. Its cast includes many stage and screen celebrities who have always associated themselves with People's Theatre.

MOVEMENT OF GOODS OVER RAILWAYS

Indian Merchants' Chambers' Appeal For Better Facilities

BOMBAY, May 8.

The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chambes have sent the following telegram to the Secretary, Railway Board, New Delhi:

"Committee Indian Merchants' Chamber had addressed a communication to the Railway Board on 25th April drawing attention of the Board to the difficulties and hardships caused to the public generally and to the commercial community in particular by the existing extremely unsatisfactory position regarding availability of facilities for movement of goods over railways. Committee urge that the entire problem of the arrangement at present obtaining governing transport of goods ove r railways should be reviewed at a high level and immediate steps taken to relieve the existing position of shortage and congestion. In the meanwhile they request that the classifications for purposes of priority be re-examined so that times which are in the nature of daily essential needs be given their due order of importance.

Alleged Defamation Of Police Official

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

On a complaint filed by Mr. C. Miranda, Deputy Inspector of Police attached to the Anti-Corruption Branch of the Bombay C.I.D. summons were ordered to be issued to-day by the Chief Presidency Magistrate against Mr. B. G. Horniman, formerly Editor of "The Advocate of India", which has since suspended publication and Mr. Chimanlal Vadilal Shah, printer and publisher, to answer a charge of defamation.

It was alleged by the complainant that an article relating to "Topiwalla Case" published in the "Advocate of India" was harmful to his reputation and lowered his credit. The complainant further submitted that the respondents had failed to utilise an opportunity given to them to apologise.

Forfeiture Order On Pamphlet Cancelled

The Government of Bombay has cancelled the order of forfeiture of the pamphlet in Gujarathi entitled "Rashtriya Chetan Ane Punjabna Atyachare" compiled and published by Jadulal Narandas, Book seller at Nadiad and the publication in Sindhi entitled "Bharat Malhan" published by Motandas Sobhraj, publisher and book-seller, Shikarpur.

AMENDMENT TO COTTON CONTROL ORDER

By a notification published in the Gazette of India dated 10th May 1947, the Government of India have amended sub-clause (5) of clause 18C of the Cotton Cloth and Yarn (Control) Order, 1945. The effect of this amendment is that in addition to acquisition or installation of any loom, hosiery machine, or sewing thread machine such acquisition or installation of ring spinning frames and mules for spinning cotton yarn by any person without the permission of the Textile Commissioner is prohibited.

By another notification published in the Gazette of India of the same date, the Government of India have amended the Cotton Textiles (Raw Materials and Stores) Order 1946, whereby ring spinning frames and mules for manufacture of cotton yarn have been brought under control.

Madness To Talk Of Reprisals

Home Minister Appeals For Communal Amity And Tolerance

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

"Whether Pakistan will come or not, I am sure of one thing at least and that is that the Hindus and the Muslims will have to live together as good neighbours in a spirit of amity and tolerance," declared Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister of the Government of Bombay, addressing a cosmopolitan gathering convened by the Peace Committee and held under the auspices of the Mahim Goodwill Association, at Mahim on Sunday evening.

Those who addressed the meeting included, among others, the Auxiliary Bishop of Bombay, Dr. Gracias.

Making a rapid survey of recent political events in the country, Mr. Desai categorically declared himself against the use of violence in any form for the attainment of political or any other ends. Violence had never produced anything but violence, he said, whose use only degraded mankind.

Referring to the talk of reprisals and vendetta, the Home Minister observed that it was sheer madness to kill a member or members of one community in one place because members of that community had acted rashly against members of another community in another place. There was no morality in that sort of attitude, he added. Turning to the good work of the Association, he appealed to it to uphold the basic principles of humanity which were the same everywhere at all times.

Giving an outline of the immediate future, Mr. Morarji Desai said: "I make a fervent appeal to you all to join hands and to put forth your very best endeavours to create a New India worthy of the Indian people."

Referring to the great task of reconstruction which lay ahead of them, the Minister observed: "We have numerous and gigantic problems before us. We shall need all the energy and intelligence we can muster to solve them. We wish to banish sickness and disease, poverty and want from among us. We are determined to rebuild life on newer, saner, healthier and firmer foundations."

Concluding Mr. Desai made a vigorous plea for sweetness and light as the basis of a healthy fervent co-operation among the various sections of the people and he reiterated the Government's desire to help the people in every conceivable way to attain a higher standard of life.

LABOUR ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

The Provincial Labour Advisory Board on which various interests—Labour, Industry, Commerce, Consumers, etc. are represented and the main function of which is to advise the Government of Bombay on the matters affecting the interests of Labour generally, and in particular, on the relations between employers and employees, will meet for the first time at 12 o'clock on Friday, May 16, at the Secretariat, under the Chairmanship of the Minister for Labour, Mr. Gulzari Lal Nanda.

The following items will be discussed at the meeting: (1) Three-Shift system of working in mills; (2) Illegal strikes: Stay-in and Sit-down strikes; (3) Employment Exchanges; (4) Decasualisation Scheme for Textile Workers; (5) Holidays with pay under the Factories Act, 1934; (6) Labour Welfare Schemes; (7) Schools for training of Labour Welfare Workers and Workers' School for Citizenship and a Trade Unionism: and (8) Classification of Trade Unions and Industries for the purposes of the Bombay Industrial Relations Act.

Labour Minister Visits Walchandnagar

Better relations will prevail hereafter between the workers and the management of the groups of industries at Walchandnagar, near Baramati, in Poona District, as the result of a visit to the place on Monday of Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Labour Minister, Government of Bombay.

As a result of the consultations the Labour Minister held with representatives of the Workers' Union and the management, it is understood, negotiations will be conducted between them in a spirit of goodwill and cordiality for effecting early redress of the workers' grievances.

Dalmia Jain Trust Eye Camps

Shri Kumar Pal, the Secretary of the Dalmia Jain Charity Trust and the Blind Relief Mission, Nagpur, in an appeal for holding eye camps in Bombay and Madras Presidencies and other parts of South India, says: The Dalmia Jain Charity Trust has announced magnanimous help for holding 100 eye camps a year. The Trust will provide funds for the services of eye specialists and other necessary staff for camps at any place in India, if lodging and boarding of the patients, their medicines and dressings etc., are arranged by local philanthropists. The whole expense hardly comes to about Rs. 10 per operation.

Public spirited workers, charitable societies, philanthropists, mill owners, landlords, industrialists and other charitable persons are requested to arrange eye camps in their places. For further details please write to the Secretary, Dalmia Jain Charity Trust, 6, Daryaganj, Delhi.

FOOD PRICES INDEX.

The Economic Adviser's All-India index of wholesale prices of Food articles (base: last week of August, 1939: 100) worked out to 265.4 for the week ended April 26, 1947, as compared with 265.5 for the previous week and 244.0 for the corresponding week of last year.

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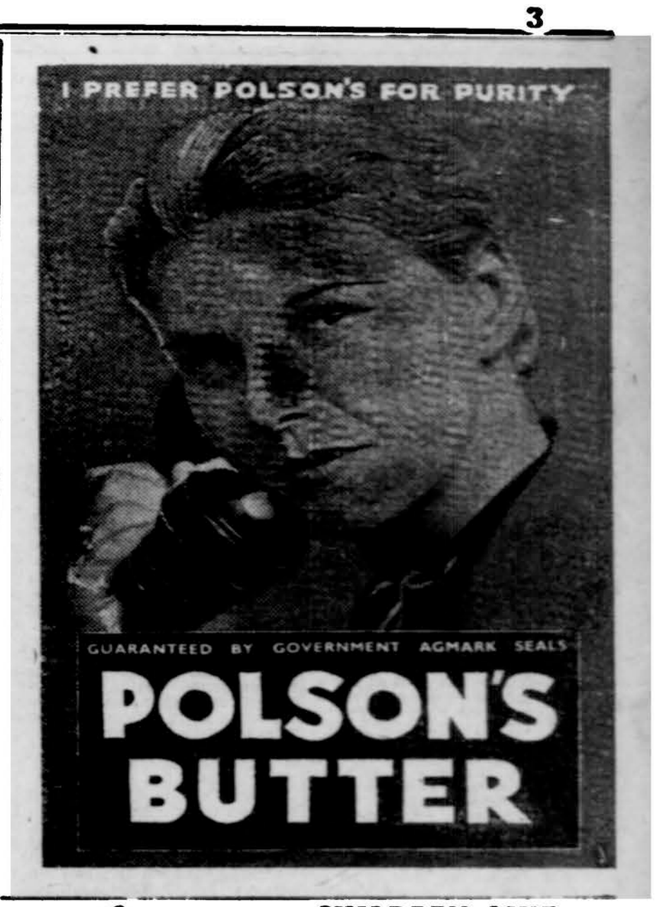

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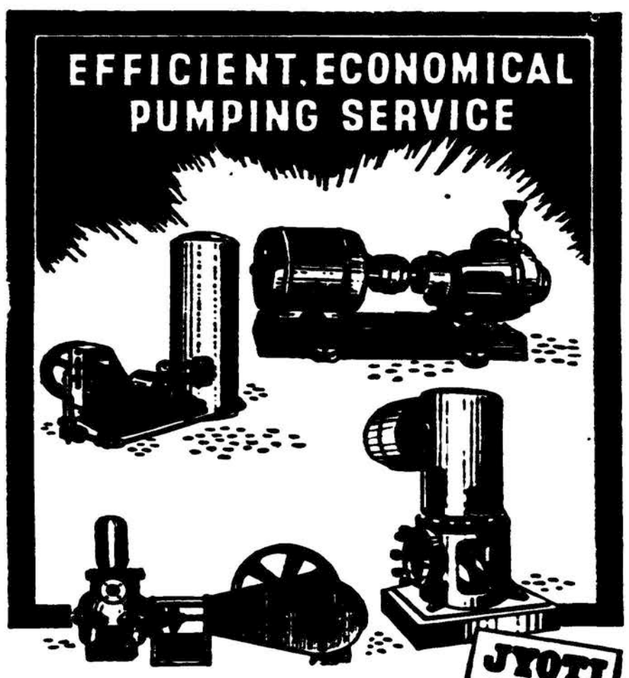
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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, May 13, (A. P. I.): Following is the weather chart showing maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during past 24 hours. From 1st April, 1946 and departure from normal recorded at 08-00 hours (I. S. T.), on 13th May, 1947:—
Ahmedabad 103 79 0 1.0 plus 0.8, Allanabad 106 81 0 0.1 minus 0.3, Bangalore 94 72 0 0.3 minus 4.7, Baroda 103 80 0 3.3 —, Belgaum 96 66 0 1.7 minus 0.6, BOMBAY 91 79 0 2.5 plus 2.5, Calcutta 103 83 0 1.4 minus 2.4, Colombo 88 81 0.1 11.1 minus 3.7, Cuddapah 109 88 0 0 minus 0.9, Cuttack 110 82 0 1.3 minus 0.7, Darjeeling 65 53 0.1 3.3 minus 4.3, Dehra Dun 95 65 0 0.5 minus 0.6, Delhi 101 75 0 0.2 minus 0.3, Hyderabad (Dn.) 104 83 0 0.1 minus 1.5, Karachi 87 80 0 0 minus 0.2, Lahore 102 75 0 0 minus 0.8, Lucknow 103 76 0 0.1 minus 0.4, Madras 100 81 0 1.0 plus 0.2, Mahableshwar 85 66 0 7.0 plus 5.6, Multan 107 82 0 0 minus 0.4, Mussoorie 72 55 0 1.2 minus 0.9, Mysore 92 71 0 2.8 minus 1.8, Nagpur 103 82 0 0.3 minus 0.4, Ootacamund 73 53 0 9.7 plus 3.9, Panchmarhi 95 77 0 0.4 minus 0.1, Patna 102 80 0 0.6 0, Peshawar 94 69 0 0.1 minus 2.1, Poona 99 70 0 1.2 plus 0.4, Quetta 83 46 0 0.3 minus 0.9, Rajkot 104 74 0 2.2 plus 2.0, Rawalpindi 99 71 0 0.2 minus 2.2, Shillong 78 59 0.4 12.2 plus .0, Sholapur 106 78 0 2.0 plus 1.2, Simla 69 56 0 1.9 minus 0.7, Srinagar 70 50 0 2.2 minus 2.6, Surat 93 79 0 5.9 plus 5.8.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

A merely fallen enemy may rise again but the reconciled one is truly vanquished.

—Schiller.

The Bombay Chronicle

APPEAL FOR SANITY

We hope every Indian, Hindu or Muslim, who genuinely loves the country in which he has been born, will pay heed to the moving message in writing that Gandhiji gave to his prayer meeting on Monday his weekly day of silence. "The thought that is uppermost in my mind today," he wrote, "is how to combat the 'goonda' rule that seems to be fast enveloping us. This I say of all India, perhaps it is true more or less of the whole world." Addressing himself to his own co-religionists he added: "Let the Hindus not deceive themselves with the belief that all is well with the Hindus. As a devout Hindu that I claim to be, I wish to affirm that we Hindus will be living in a fool's paradise if we harboured any such thought. Goondaism is no preparation for taking the place of foreign rule. The thoughtless interference in prayer meetings is not a small symptom of the disease I am describing. Intolerance is a form of goondaism. It is no less disgraceful than the savagery which we see announced in the daily press. Let all political workers, be they Hindus, Muslims or any other, ponder well over what is happening before their eyes. Let it not be said by the future generation that we were trying to learn how to lose the liberty before it was ever gained."

We offer no apology for reproducing the above long extract from Gandhiji's message. The last two sentences of the extract, particularly, should induce all Indians to turn the searchlight inwards because they point at once to the duty that lies nearest to them and the awful tragedy that must befall them if they fail honestly to perform it. That duty is dispassionately to study and examine what is actually happening today and why it is so happening and, having made this study and examination, to take the earliest possible and most effective measures to prevent the destruction of all dreams of a peaceful, happy and progressive India. Is it untrue to say, as Gandhiji says, that we, Hindus and Muslims, to judge from what is happening now before our eyes, are trying to learn how to lose the liberty before it was ever gained? It is as certain as night follows day that the British will quit India in June next year. Freedom is our birthright and we shall have it. But what kind of freedom shall we get in June next if we do not now behave as true and wise patriots who look before as well as after? India lost her freedom to the British over a century ago because she had broken herself into fragments as a result of the shortsightedness and lust for power of individual rulers and leaders who then held in their hands, the destiny of the country. Are we going to allow history to repeat itself soon after the British quit this country, if not before? If the country is divided and subdivided into fragments, as is being suggested in several quarters, and if from day-to-day statements and counter-statements are issued by leaders of both the communities adding to the prevailing confusion and bitterness, is there any guarantee that history will not repeat itself in some shape or another leading to the result against which Gandhiji warns us? To him, more than to any other single individual, we owe the freedom that will be ours in June next year. He, more than any other single individual today, has devoted all his waking hours to the urgent and noble work of rebuilding the shattered edifice of Hindu-Muslim unity. Let his fellow-countrymen respond to his appeal and make one more supreme and determined effort to preserve the unity and integrity of India from the danger that threatens it.

It is most unfortunate that Mr. Jinnah failed to grasp the hand of friendship extended by the Congress when it invited the League to a heart-to-heart discussion with a view to bringing about an honourable settlement. If that discussion had taken place, there was a possibility of such a happy consummation being brought about However, all is not lost yet. The British Cabinet Scheme is still there; it offers the best basis for such a settlement because, without affecting the unity and integrity of India, it fully safeguards the position of the Muslims and gives them effective guarantees against domination by the majority. Mr. Jinnah and the League were the first to accept it. A lapse of one year cannot affect the merit of that scheme. It is true that the League feels that the Congress acceptance of it was not unreserved. The discussion to which the Congress had invited the League, if it had been accepted, would have brought about a satisfactory adjustment of the differences, if any, between the Congress and the League in this respect. It is true, also, that much has happened during the last year to embitter the relations between the two communities. But Hindus and Muslims have lived together in this country for eleven centuries and the momentary happenings of these few months, most deplorable as they are, must be considered in the perspective of history and must not be allowed to warp our reasoning and our judgment. Apart from this, let Mr. Jinnah and the League realize that if they insist on Pakistan, they cannot ward off the division of Bengal and the Punjab and that no British Government will agree to transfer power to the Pakistan of their dream. Mr. Jinnah and the League cannot escape the logic of facts. Is a truncated Pakistan worth having weighed against the superior advantages of having Muslim majority Governments in Bengal and the Punjab under a Union Government whose powers and functions are strictly limited and whose constitution cannot be finally determined without their consent and whose powerful voice will always be available in support and defence of the rights and claims of all Islamic countries? The Council of the Jamiat-ul-Ulema-e-Hind, at its meeting in Lucknow last week-end, passed a resolution in which, while expressing its strong opposition to the division of India into Pakistan and Hindustan as also to the proposal for the division of some of the provinces, it declares that "the only way out of the present impasse is to accept the Cabinet Mission's proposals as the basis of the future constitution of free India" and "appeals to the people of the Punjab and Bengal to resist the division of their provinces". In his latest statement Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel has reiterated that the Congress stands for the Cabinet Mission's scheme "in toto". If the Congress stands for the Cabinet Mission's Scheme "in toto" and if Mr. Jinnah and the League had accepted it last year without any reservation, it becomes the duty of the British Government to see that it is implemented. It should not encourage, for whatever reason, any proposals for the dismemberment and fragmentation of the country which will, in every way, be ruinous to it. We are glad, therefore, to learn that at the conference of leaders of political parties, which the Viceroy has called for June 2, a final effort will be made by him to make the Indian political parties accept the Cabinet Mission's plan.

Frankly Speaking

More Confusion

Mr. Suhrawardy's change from a Pakistan-cum-Muslim Nation champion and devotee to an equally enthusiastic sovereign Bengal-cum-Bengali Nation champion and torch-bearer could not escape unnoticed by any one in India. But before Mr. Suhrawardy could proceed much farther he was challenged by Maulana Akram Khan, the President of the Bengal Provincial Muslim League, who categorically re-emphasised the position Mr. Suhrawardy had deserted. That, however, did not stop Mr. Suhrawardy and Mr. Abul Hashim who have continued their efforts to negotiate a settlement in favour of a sovereign Bengal based on Hindu-Muslim parity and Bengali nationalism. They have been challenged again from Muslim League quarters. Mr. Nurul Amin, the Speaker of the Bengal Assembly, was sometime ago appointed convener of a Sub-Committee which was formed by the Bengal Muslim League to contact Hindu leaders to bring about an improvement in the situation. He now states that the Sub-Committee discussed on May 5, the matter with some Hindu leaders and that certain proposals were put before it, "but as these were of a far-reaching character, the Committee could not give any view without further consideration and consultation." And Mr. Nurul Amin adds, "the conference ended at that and no further meeting took place....."

An Important Question

This is clearly another repudiation of Messrs. Suhrawardy and Abul Hashim. The question is: why then, and on what authority have these gentlemen persisted with their efforts? Mr. Nurul Amin has no doubt that they are acting on their "individual responsibility and not on behalf of the Muslim League." But the matter cannot be so easily disposed of. Mr. Suhrawardy is one of the most responsible of League leaders; in fact, he is the leader of the League Parliamentary Party and the head of the League Ministry. No less responsible a leader is Mr. Abul Hashim. It is interesting to notice that he is described as "Secretary of the Bengal Provincial Muslim League (on leave)." The caveat, so to speak, is amusing. But his is, perhaps, a unique instance of a highly placed public man being "on leave" from his office and yet carrying on important and momentous public work. If these gentlemen have been conducting negotiations on their "individual responsibility" and on a basis which is in conflict with the professed position of the Muslim League why have they not been stopped from their activities by the High Command? In the alternative, why does the Muslim League not come out officially in the open?

Playing With Fire

The United Nations Assembly has voted against the Indian proposal to include the consideration of Palestine independence by the Fact-Finding Commission. By this decision the 29 States that are responsible for it have struck a blow at the United Nations Organisation, apart from the fact that they have ill-served their own interests. It is no doubt a victory for the Jewish Agency and its patrons, but it is no defeat for the Arabs of Palestine. Unless the Fact-Finding Commission becomes deliberately and entirely dishonest it will not be able to escape vital facts about Palestine. Nor can the basic issue of independence be long evaded. It will have to be faced at the next sessions of the United Nations Assembly. Meanwhile, the Arab States are doing well in deciding to take no chances and to prepare for any contingency like a decisive betrayal of Palestine. America, even more than Britain, would be wise in taking full note of Arab attitude and its implications instead of championing the Jews so obdurately and cynically. Friends of Zionism are playing with fire.

India's Right

According to the United Press of America, United States officials expect India to make a strong bid for a seat in the United Nations Trusteeship Council at the autumn session of the U.N.O. We hope India fulfills the expectations of these officials. We feel that the fact, as admitted by all, that India has been one of the foremost champions of dependent area not only gives this country the right, but also imposes on it an international duty, to serve the cause and interests of so-called dependencies and colonies, especially, moreover, because India has no imperialist or expansionist ambition of any kind and anywhere. In fact, we hold—and it is a principle which cannot, in fairness and decency be denied—that the first essential of the Trusteeship Council ought to be that it should be composed of States who are absolutely disinterested. This also should be the basic condition determining the appointment by the Council and the United Nations of Trustees to administer Trust territories. This is what the spirit, principles and main objective of the United Nations Charter require.

Our Readers' Views

Harijan Temple Worship Bill

Sir,—The Harijan Temple Worship Bill introduced by the Bombay Government into the Legislative Assembly is an open challenge to the orthodoxy to vindicate their position. The above Bill is of a revolutionary character and seeks to undermine the very basic religious principles underlying their shastras based on Vedas of hoary—antiquity, traditions and ancient usages and hitherto followed by the bulk of the Hindu population all over the country. The provisions of the bill are of a far reaching character as they provide for a forcible entry of the untouchables into Hindu temples belonging to private individuals and sects and—creeds and expressly meant for the benefit of high caste Hindus all these temples were built by high caste Hindus at enormous cost and not a single pie was contributed by persons belonging to the excluded castes. The above Bills seems to be expropriatory in nature and it may deprive millions of orthodox Hindus of their vested proprietory rights even in private temples and compel trustees to commit breaches of express provisions of trust prohibiting entry of non-caste Hindus into their temples.

The Congress leaders have been proclaiming loudly that their Government is for the liberty of all. Is it liberty to deprive million of orthodoxy of their proprietory and religious rights enjoyed since about a couple of thousand years to please a small section of the backward class people? What is wanted is the economic uplift of these people, for which the Sanatanists are quite prepared to co-operate with the Congress.

It is trusted that the Government will soon withdraw the above Bill to avoid dissensions and strife in the Hindu Community and breach of their solidarity.—Yours, etc.

MANUBHAI C PANDYA
Bombay.

India's Unity And Right Of Self-Determination

Sir,—India is to-day one whole under British rule. If as a consequence of the withdrawal of that rule British India has to be partitioned into two or more independent and sovereign States, it can only be because it is considered that the right of self-determination of a province to break away from the whole is unrestricted and absolute, irrespective of the fact that the exercise of the right by even a small minority of them is likely to endanger the security of the whole country. To the ordinary man such an interpretation of the right appears to be repugnant to reason and common-sense. There can be no such thing as a right to commit suicide and force it on the rest of the country as well. Imagine what would become of India if all the provinces were to avail themselves of the right. If the parts have the right of self-determination, the whole has also the right to retain its independence, and an overwhelming majority of the people of India is strongly in favour of preserving the unity of the country so far at least as its defence and matters ancillary thereto are concerned. The two rights mentioned above have to be reconciled, and the only way in which they can be reconciled is to hold that the right of self-determination of the parts is subject to the preservation of the country's unity for the purpose of its defence and matters ancillary thereto. The right of self-determination, like the right to individual liberty, must be held to be subject to such limitations as are manifestly necessary to prevent general harm.

The preservation of unity to this limited extent is as much in the interest of the separating units as of the rest of the country, and cannot be reasonably objected to. Defence being the common interest of all the units, it can only be effectively provided for by preserving the unity of the country's armed forces. It will no doubt be urged that it can be equally effectively provided for by means of treaties for common defence against aggression But treaties can be broken and treated as mere scraps of paper when it suits any of the parties to them to do so; and if the units are allowed to maintain armed forces of their own, there will always be danger of some units using them against the others for aggression, or for any other purpose such as the redress of a grievance.—Yours, etc.,

P. J. TALEYARKHAN.
Mahableshwar.

INDIA'S STERLING BALANCES

An Honourable Way-Out For Britain

(By Prof. C. N. VAKIL)
(Concluded from our yesterday's issue)

Supply Of Defence Equipment

India will require some equipment for the Defence Services for all the three Arms, Land, Sea and Air. It is possible that the transfer of some of the British equipment now in the country may ease the situation. Subject to detailed enquiry however, it is possible that she will require more naval craft as well as more aircraft for the Navy and the Air forces. The British Government should arrange to deliver such equipment either out of her own resources or out of the materials which they might obtain by way of reparations from Germany or Japan. The value of such equipment should be set off against sterling balances.

Supply Of Capital Goods

In connection with schemes of development in the country such as railways, roads, hydro-electric power, irrigation and so on to be undertaken by Central or Provincial Governments, certain heavy equipment will be required by the Indian authorities. Plans for such equipment would be ready by now with the Governments concerned or could be made ready in the near future. The British Government should agree to deliver such equipment at a price to be settled now over a period of 5 years. The total value of such deliveries should be set off against the sterling balances.

Training Facilities

The British Government should agree to give adequate facilities for the training of Indians in the various training establishments in the U. K. connected with all the Defence Services as well as those connected with technical establishments and higher University education. Certain seats should be guaranteed in these institutions for Indians to be selected by the Government of India. Their allowances while in the U. K. and charges for passage both ways could be estimated. The expenditure on this account in sterling should be defrayed by the U. K. over a period of 5 years and the total estimated amount should be set off against sterling balances.

Effects Of The Scheme As A Whole

Though it is not possible to give exact estimates of each of these categories referred to above it is easy to see that the British Government would be in a position to transfer such assets of the aggregate value of Rs. 1000 crores in 5 years. The type of assets or services suggested are such that it would not involve serious inroads on British resources or capacity to pay, nor would it involve any awkward transfer problems on current account; and at the same time it would help India to preserve more effectively her independence and plan her economic progress with greater speed.

The funding of pensions (150 crores) and the amount set apart as sterling exchange reserve (Rs. 200 crores) are mere paper adjustments. The purchase of British Government assets and equipment by India should be welcome to the U.K. as she is not in a position to make effective use of these assets. The amount required for training facilities to India will be spread over five years and will be spent in the U.K. and does not involve any physical transfer of goods from the U.K. Besides, it will be a source of goodwill between the two countries. The only item which will require immediate convertibility of an amount of sterling into dollar and other currencies is Rs. 200 crores, which is small compared with the total and is not likely to cause any serious difficulty to the U. K.

The supply of Defence Equipment and the share in British Shipping and Air Services are intended to enable India to stand on her own legs for the purposes of defence in future. It cannot be the intention of the U.K that India should not be able to defend herself in future. The supply of defence equipment from existing sources or from German reparations will not create difficulties of fresh production or a serious transfer problem. The share in Shipping and Air Services will have the compensation of goodwill in trade between the two countries in peace time and possibilities of co-operation in war time.

The supply of certain capital goods referred to above are not intended for industries which may compete with British goods; they are intended for the basic development of the country for which there can be no two opinions. Some of this work has been neglected on account of the war. Such development will help the economic progress of the country and enable her internal and external trade to grow.

British Commercial Investments

So far as the sale of British Commercial investments in India are concerned, they are the last vestiges of British domination in India and should be handed over in the interests of healthy relations between the two countries. In fact, the process has already begun; some of these have been sold to Indian concerns, in others their character is being changed by taking Indians as equal partners and so on. Such a procedure is the accepted method of payment for foreign debts and has been adopted by the U.K. herself in other cases. In view of the desire of the U.K. to give up political power in India, it would be equally desirable for her to sell at a price her commercial assets in India to India—assets which are known to have flourished because of British political power and assets which are known to have been responsible for creating many an obstacle in the progress of India. It would be statesmanlike for the U.K. to remove all possible doubts in this connection and enable Anglo-Indian relations to be started on a clean slate in the future.

The aggregate effect of these proposals is to free the U.K. from her debt honourably and in a short time, without serious economic difficulties for her and with assured goodwill with India; and to enable India to obtain in a short time additional resources for defence which she will require, and for internal development in which she is intent. This will make up to some extent for the sacrifices of the war and enable India to start her career of independence with an amount of economic strength required to maintain the independence.

It should be understood that the various items in this scheme should be treated as interdependent. It is possible to criticise any one item from the point of view either of India or the U.K. But if the aggregate effect of the items is taken into account with due regard to the points of view of both parties, the proposed scheme as a whole is likely to be considered fair and result in the solution of a complex problem in the near future, resulting in mutual goodwill, and much needed improvement in the economic condition of India without impairing that of the U.K.

Internal Distribution

One more suggestion could be made in conclusion regarding the way in which the acquisition of the balances should be distributed within India herself. It would be necessary for the Government of India to see that the advantages of the return that we get for these balances accrue to the people at large enabling them to raise their standard of living and that the rich should not be in a position to profiteer by this arrangement. In the case of those assets which are retained by the Government of India under their own control, the question does not arise. But there are some other assets which will, on transfer, be handed over to private enterprise. In return for this, the Government of India would be in a position to obtain the value of such assets in rupees from the parties concerned. The amounts so realised should be available to the Government of India for schemes of reconstruction, particularly schemes for development of health and educational services. By suitable grants to the Provinces, this developmental work can be pushed forward, so that the masses of people who have suffered on account of the war, may get some relief in the form of improvement in their productive capacity.

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NO INCREASE IN PRICE OF FOODGRAINS

Dr. Rajendra Prasad's Reported Answer To Madras Govt.

MADRAS, May 13, (A.P.I.): Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Food Member, Government of India, continued his discussions on the food situation with the Ministers and food officials of the Madras Government for the second day today.

It is understood Madras Government represented to him that either the price of foodgrains should be increased or a bonus be paid to the cultivators as an incentive to procure more food.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad is reported to have informed the Madras Government that the Government of India did not consider the present moment quite opportune to increase the price of foodgrains for a number of reasons. Firstly, if Madras were allowed to raise the price every other province might demand a similar increase. Secondly, the increased price of foodgrains would have to be passed on either to the consumer or to the Central Government. As the total cost of the increased price would be about Rs. 75 crores the Central Government might not be prepared to grant such large subsidies. If the consumers were to bear the burden then it must be remembered that they were more numerous than producers and included a large number of people in the villages who were agricultural labourers.

Dr. Prasad is also understood to have urged the Madras Government to rely on themselves for the provinces food requirements and intensify their procurement scheme, as the centre, due to failure of wheat crops this year and fall in imports of foodstuffs, cannot allot much to Madras.

EMPLOYMENT EXCHANGES

A Reply To Press Criticisms

Mr. B. S. Gokral, Regional Public Relations Officer, Resettlement and Employment writes:—

From certain criticisms in a section of the Press, it appears that there yet exist some misgivings regarding the functions of the Resettlement organization. Most of these criticisms centre round the low percentage of placements of the Employment Exchanges, the delay in securing employments, the top-heavy expenditure of this organisation and the inability of the Employment Exchanges to deal with the unemployment problem.

It is appropriate to remind these critics of the reply of the Hon. Mr. Jagjivan Ram, Member for Labour in the Central Legislature, recently. "In view of the fact that this organization, which is a new venture in this country, has been working under difficult and abnormal conditions and only for a short period, Government do not regard the results so far achieved as unsatisfactory. Government propose to expand the scope of this organisation with a view to developing it into a permanent employment service." Many impartial observers as well as inspections carried out periodically at the Exchanges disclose that there is a steady improvement in the Resettlement organisation since its inception. Upto the end of March 1947, 7,79,806 persons were registered out of whom 1,52,054 were placed in employment, thereby giving a placing percentage of 19.5.

Direct And Indirect Assistance

Cynics pointing to this percentage argue that the Employment Exchanges have not been able to touch the fringe of the unemployment problem. They fail to take into account that the work of the Employment Exchanges also extends to such assistance being given to registered persons as posting to Training and Vocational Centres, submission of applications under the further Education Scheme, assistance for obtaining permits for yarn, etc. The per capita cost of placing works out to Rs. 29 4, which is not high in view of the social service rendered by the Exchanges. As employment opportunities develop, this cost is expected to come down. At present, there is divergence between registration and placing figures. This is due to the fact that demobilisation proceeded in advance of the reconstruction schemes. But when the rush period of registration is over, the work of the Employment Exchanges will present a more balanced picture.

With reference to the Exchange returns, it is desirous to apprise the public of a serious difficulty which the organisation is experiencing. This refers to the failure of employers to advise the Exchanges when vacancies have been filled among those submitted by the Exchanges. Apart from vitiating employment exchange returns, this results in the employment index cards of ex-servicemen being retained on live register when they no longer require assistance and also men being submitted for vacancies which no longer exist. It must be remembered that registered persons are not eliminated from the exchange register unless they themselves indicate that they no longer require employment.

No Undue Delays

It has been alleged that Employment Exchanges are dilatory in finding employment and dealing with correspondence. Inspections carried out at the Exchanges show that there have been few cases of unreasonable delay. It is not possible to compute the average time taken to find employment as that depends upon the availability of employment of the type which the applicant desires, the willingness of the applicant to accept the type of employment available, and the wages offered. In this connection it may be noted that from June 1946 to March 1947, 31,947 ex-servicemen are known to have refused employment offered to them. If critics inspected the registration cards of these persons, they will discover that they have been submitted to no less than half a dozen employers. The Employment Exchanges have no statutory powers to compel employers to accept an applicant submitted by it and the Exchange is not a job creating agency. If, however, specific cases of extreme delays are brought to the notice of the Regional Director, they will be duly investigated and every effort made to prevent their recurrence. In this connection it may be pointed out that the organisation has a Public Relations Department which maintains effective liaison between the employers both Government and private and Ex-servicemen. Any complaints will be promptly attended to by this Department.

MADRAS HYDRO-BIOLOGICAL LABORATORY

Dr. Rajendra Prasad, laid the foundation-stone of the first Hydro-Biological Laboratory in India and in the East at Chetput today in the premises of the Biological Fish Research Institute.

The laboratory is expected to cost half a lakh of rupees, and will provide facilities for research work on the zoological and hydrological side for the Fisheries Department.

Paying a tribute to the work done by the Fisheries Department of Madras Dr Prasad said the result of research should be carried to the ordinary fisherman and the villager who could utilise this knowledge for improving his condition of life and that of the community.

Dr. Prasad then gave away the prizes for the best private piscaculture and acquarium, of which the second was won by Dr. V. K. John, M.L.C.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Reports of the talks held by some Hindu and Muslim League leaders in Calcutta have been clarified by Mr. Nurul Amin, convener of the Bengal Muslim League Sub-Committee, appointed recently to contact Hindu leaders for bringing about an improvement in the situation, who says: "—If any discussion is going on it must be on individual responsibility and not on behalf of the Muslim League"

—A.P.I.

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The answer it is now almost definitely learnt, is a Winston Churchill.

We are referring, of course to the excited discussions in India and Britain on the whys and wherefores of the mysterious postponement.

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On the initiative of the Beng Hindu Mahasabha, nearly 10,000 telegrams are reported to have been sent by now to the Viceroy from all parts of India demanding the partition of Bengal.

We would encourage the movement. In fact we would be only too pleased if the number went up to 10 million. India's Exchequer could do with the money.

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In an urgent representation to the U.P. Government, the U.P. Hindu Mahasabha demands immediate rectification in the matter of "the astoundingly high representation of Muslims and hopeless minority of the Hindus in the Police department".

If nowhere else the U.P. Mahasabha should be content with support in at least one quarter: Mr. Ghulam Husain Hidayatullah and his colleagues.

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The Bengal Premier, Mr H. S. Suhrawardy, is leaving for Hyderabad on Tuesday, May 13, on the Nizam's invitation, it is learnt.—Calcutta Report.

We feel that the report calls for speculation.

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A contemporary mentions a rumour to the effect that the Nizam Government besides claiming the territory of Berar have also an eye on the Bastar State.

And the Nizam Government's subjects have an eye on Hyderabad itself.

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In a statement to the Press, Mr. V B Karnik, the Radical Democratic leader and General Secretary, Indian Federation of Labour strongly denounces the formation of the Indian National Trade Union Congress and calls upon all trade unionists not to join it.

That finishes the I.N.T.U.C.

But an effort, a last desperate effort, should yet be made to mollify and appease the General Secretary of the I.F.L. with, say, an assurance on oath that the I.N.T.U.C. will not ask for even thirteen hundred rupees a month from the Government.

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The United Press of America reports from Washington that India will make a strong bid for a seat in the U.N. Trusteeship Council, basing its claim on being one of the foremost champions of dependent areas.

But that cannot be regarded as a claim. It is in fact a basic disqualification.

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It is reported from Damascus that the Arab States are ready with their plan of action if the United Nations Organisation failed Palestine.

Which is obviously most unfair: sabotaging the democratic and humane mission of the United States and Britain.

TERMS FOR UNITED BENGAL

Congress-League Talks Reach Final Stage

CALCUTTA, May 13, (A.P.A.): Congress-League negotiations for a united Bengal have neared the stage when the whole matter may soon be referred to the Congress and League High Commands at New Delhi, an informed spokesman said here to-day.

"One or two points still remain to be clarified and the whole thing will take final shape within a couple of days," he said.

"There are no unsurmountable hindrances. Neither do we expect any difficulty from higher authorities," he added.

Another spokesman said the progress of the negotiations has been very satisfactory."

"The basis of the negotiations, according to this source, include: 1. A joint electorate with adult franchise. 2. Fifty-fifty share in the administration and services of the province. 3 A plebiscite to decide the status of Bengal in India.

THE "BEGUM"—INDIAN WOMEN'S NEWS MAGAZINE

The "Begum" (April-May Number) is with us again, with a special message—that "tongues and manners no longer divide us" a message which was so eloquently conveyed by Mrs. Sarojini Naidu at the Asian Relations Conference at Delhi. The Begum" appropriately "front-pages" Sarojini and devotes the editorial and the main art section to the conference, thus driving home its message to the readers.

The other fare in the monthly has appeal both to the men and women readers because it deals with subjects of interest like charter for henpecked husbands, women's movement in America, "this wedded woe" and the like.

Sarla Bhargava's article on the "Bari and the Begum" makes interesting reading. The Indian village atmosphere however is being missed badly both in the magazine and its sections of the "Begum" this time.

Cochin Minister Supports Movement For United Kerala

Deplores C. P.'s Suggestion To Declare Travancore Independent

Mr. Panampally Govinda Menon, Minister for Education, Labour and Publicity, Cochin Government and a member of the Constituent Assembly stressed the desirability and necessity of having a United Kerala, when interviewed by a representative of the "Bombay Chronicle."

He was emphatic in declaring that Kerala unification was a move in the right direction and this should be pursued, with vigour and determination, in the interests of British Malabar, Cochin and Travancore States. He greatly deplored the suggestion of Sir C. P. to declare independence for Travancore when British quit India. Travancore, and other States, who contemplate such step, he was sure would stand to lose and would be treated as aliens in the Indian Union.

Mr. Menon averting to the objections raised by C. P. Dewan of Travancore against the joining of that State in the proposed Union, stated that the points raised by him could not stand the test of reason. He had no hesitation in stating that from the standpoint of the people of Kerala, Union is an absolute necessity. True there were difficulties in the way, but these, he was sure, would be overcome.

Continuing he said that it was for the people to decide this major issue. It was necessary that representatives of Travancore, Cochin and Malabar have to sit together and hammer out a workable scheme. "The urge for a United Kerala, according to him has become "a passion with Malayalese".

"The density of population", he said, "in Travancore per square mile is 800 and in Cochin 900 and the problem for both these States is how to support this large population. Kerala Union would give a larger sphere for their activities." Referring to C. P.'s suggestion for an independent Travancore, he said that the moment Travancore declared itself as an independent State, every Travancorean would become an alien outside the State and the benefits that could be derived by being in the Indian Union would be denied to them. Travancorean would lose his Indian citizenship. "Is this not a calamity?" he asked.

Replying to a recent statement of C. P., Mr. Menon said: "I don't find any logic in his statement that Travancore will join the Indian Union if it is united. I don't find any reason for Travancore to stand back, if Pakistan is granted in any form. Mr. Menon thought that the Travancore people were for United Kerala and wanted to join the Indian Union.

As regards the steps necessary to be taken to bring about the Kerala Union, he said that the first step would be for British Malabar to come out of Madras Province. If Travancore would not join Cochin and Malabar he stated could form a Union, leaving the door open to Travancore. The population of such a State would be 60 lakhs. There are Provinces in India with less population. The revenue of Cochin is 3 1/2 crores of Rupees per annum and of Malabar about four crores of Rupees. The revenue of Malabar was bound to increase. Thus there would be ample revenues for the maintenance of the new Province. When Travancore also joined, it would be a formidable Province in India, and could make its influence felt. It would be unique province with a highly educated people and ample resources and its voice will be heard throughout India.

Mr. Menon thought that a number of States would join the Constituent Assembly before the next session. Regarding the present reforms in Cochin State, he said that they were being worked out very successfully. The Dewan and the four Ministers formed the Cabinet and the Dewan presided over the Cabinet. All important questions fit to be taken into the Cabinet were discussed and decided upon. The Maharaja did not interfere at all with the work of the Cabinet.

Concluding he said there was Responsible Government in action in the State. The Reforms Committee of which he is the Chairman is likely to submit its report ere long and this is expected to usher in full Responsible Government.

DARBAR GOPALDAS REINSTALLED AFTER 25 YEARS

NEW DELHI, May 13. (A.P.I.): Darbar Gopaldas Desai, the well-known Gujerat Congress leader and member of the Constituent Assembly representing the people of Baroda, will have his taluka and jurisdictional powers restored to him after 25 years, and will shortly be installed on his 'gadi'.

On the declaration of the British Government to part with power before June 1948, the case of Darbar Gopaldas was taken up by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel with the Political Department of the Government of India and as a result, it is reliably understood, orders have been passed by the authorities concerned to restore the taluka to Darbar Gopaldas Desai and to arrange for his reinstallation on his 'gadi'.

The story of his being deprived of his 'gadi' dates back to 1922 when Darbar Gopaldas Desai received an invitation to attend a 'durbar' which was held at the Rajkot Residency in honour of a visit of the then Governor of Bombay. For his refusal to attend this durbar without first obtaining the Provincial Congress Committee's permission and for his having joined the Non-co-operation Movement, he was charged with acts of discourtesy and disloyalty and was asked to give an apology for such conduct. On his refusal to do so he was deprived of his taluka and his jurisdictional powers, both civil and criminal. His estates, comprising the villages of Rai Sankali and Dhassa in Gujerat, were attached and have remained under the Agency management.

Darbar Gopaldas, who has been a close associate of Sardar Patel, participated in the Satyagraha Movement in 1920, as President of the Kathiawad Political Conference, and was the Chairman of the reception Committee of the Haripura Congress.

SIND UNIVERSITY ACT TO BE MODIFIED

KARACHI, May 13, (A. P. I.): A tentative agreement has been reached between the representatives of prominent Hindu educationists in Sind and the Education Minister, Pir Elahi Bux, which will lead to a modification of the Sind University Act and the withdrawal of Hindu opposition to it.

The compromise which is subject to the approval of the Sind Muslim League Party, has also resulted in most of the Hindu representatives agreeing to serve on the Senate.

The Chancellor of the University, the Governor of Sind, has in the meantime, appointed Mr. Taj Mohomed, Director of Public Instruction, Khairpur State Registrar of the Sind University.

DACOITY IN JAWHAR STATE

DAHANU, May 13, (A. P. I.): A daring midnight armed dacoity is reported to have been committed yesterday at Kandolpada in Jawhar State, seven miles from Dahanu.

It is stated that about thirty armed Warlis forced their way into a shop and after removing Rs. 2,200 in cash and also clothes, cigarettes, tobacco, match boxes and other articles worth about Rs. 1,800 decamped to the neighbouring hills.

BOMBAY ELECTION

BELGAUM, May 13. (A.P.I.): The Congress candidate, Mr. V. S. T. Huli, was declared elected to the Bombay Legislative Assembly to-day from the Belgaum District North General Rural Constituency.

Mr. Huli secured 18,211 votes while his rival, Mr. A. Navalketti (independent) got 8,149. Sixty votes were invalid.

This by-election was caused by the resignation of Mr. A. B. Latthe.

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reaching an agreement among themselves."

ISMAY LUNCHES WITH KING

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter): General Lord Ismay, Chief of Staff to the Viceroy of India, was to-day received in audience by the King and remained to lunch with the King and Queen.

INDIAN PLAN IN U. S. PRESS

NEW YORK, May 13 (Reuter): The "New York Times" plays up on its first page to-day under a two-column heading a story from London saying, "in the hope of avoiding chaos or civil war, the British Government will agree to Quit India sooner than June 1948, provided that the Hindu and Muslim communities can compose their political differences. This is the main feature of the new plan for India which will be announced on June 2, which also contains acceptance of Pakistan and partition of the Punjab, Bengal and Assam provinces."

The dispatch added that "all sides in India now want a treaty of mutual Defence between India and Britain whereby the British Navy and Air Force would guarantee the Defence of India. Also as things are going, India's trade relations with Britain will remain strong as ever.

"These astonishing developments demonstrate the extent to which the Labour Government's policy of voluntarily giving up a great empire has succeeded in saving the heart and soul of that empire."

MOUNTBATTEN'S PLAN

LONDON, May 12, (Reuter): The British Official White Paper on the Viceroy's Plan of Procedure to ascertain how India desires power to be transferred will be published within a few days of the conference of Indian leaders which Admiral Lord Mountbatten has called for June 2, it is learnt authoritatively. cables Fraser Wighton, Reuter's Political Correspondent.

Informed London quarters describe the plan, which is expected to receive the British Cabinet's approval probably tomorrow, as the Viceroy's and its authorship as still essentially his, following its consideration in Britain Informed quarters describe it briefly as the plan by which the Viceroy will propose the procedure to enable Indian representatives to make up their minds on fundamental questions in connection with transfer of power and it was produced by Lord Mountbatten after what is believed to have been seven weeks of the most intensive activity of any Viceroy.

Emphasising that June 1948 is the ultimate date by which Britain intends to leave India, those closely in touch with the situation at this end describe the forthcoming discussions between the Viceroy and Indian leaders as of utmost importance. They think that discussion and acceptance by the parties of the plans of procedure will govern the speed at which Britain will be able to leave India.

It was learnt tonight that another meeting will take place in London tomorrow between General Lord Ismay, Viceroy's Chief of Staff, Mr. George Abell, Viceroy's Private Secretary and Sir Conrad Corfield on the one hand and the Cabinet India experts on the other. It is presumed that this meeting will follow a meeting of the British Cabinet.

Ismay To Leave For Simla

LONDON, May 12 (APA): Lord Ismay, who is in London on behalf of Lord Mountbatten for Cabinet consultations, will have further talks tomorrow (Tuesday), said a British Press Association Diplomatic Correspondent today, and will leave for Simla on Wednesday.

The correspondent said that Ismay had been able to give the Cabinet a detailed report of the Viceroy's views and was taking back the Cabinet reactions.

FOOD PRICES MAY SKY-ROCKET

Washington Officials' Fears: Drop In U. S. Supplies

WASHINGTON, May 13 (Reuter): Grave fears of a new inflationary boom in grain prices in the next few weeks were expressed here by expert international food officials. Simultaneously the United States Department of Agriculture and British authorities were studying the urgent request for emergency supplies before the new harvest comes in.

The new harvest is only a few weeks off and United States supplies are at present at a comparatively low ebb. Extra shipments above those already planned can now only be obtained by reducing the carry over of national stocks from one harvest year to the other to the unprecedently low figure of 75,000,000 bushels. Experts maintain that this can be done —especially since a bumper new crop of well over 1,000,000,000 bushels is in prospect.

"SELLER'S MARKET"

But it is believed that an almost inevitable result of re-entering what is obviously "a seller's market" at such a time would be to send prices soaring. Wheat prices are now averaging about two dollars 50 cents per bushel, but the prospect is that the cost would rise above even the high watermark of three dollars reached earlier this year if attempts were made to meet the clamorous demands now being received from Europe.

Authoritative sources declare that this prospect was posing a specific dollar problem to the Anglo-American Zonal Supply Committee now tackling the Washington end of the German food crisis.

They disclosed that already this year dollar expenditures for food for Germany have been higher than originally planned at the economic merger talks here last December.

Keep Noble Traditions Of Profession

Ghazanfar Ali's Advice To Muslim Journalists

NEW DELHI, May 12, (A. P. I.): Mr. Ghazanfar Ali Khan, Health Member in the Interim Government, this morning inaugurated the All-India Muslim Working Journalists' Association, Sardar Abdul Rab Nishtar, Communications Member, presided.

Stating that Muslims had to fight against heavy odds in their struggle, Mr. Ghazanfarali Khan paid tribute to Muslim journalists who had fought with great devotion and energy to present to the world correct views and news about Muslims. Much more, however, remained to be done, he added. "We must expand and develop still further our arrangements for presenting to the world correct news and views about ourselves and for a correct interpretation to our people of the day to day happenings in the world."

Referring to the work that lay ahead of the Association he urged that the Association should work for noble ideals of service and national reconstruction and hoped it would not degenerate into a mere trade union. It should certainly safeguard its members against exploitation. It should also try to be a source of inspiration to them and give their best to the service of the nation, whatever the handicaps and difficulties in their way.

Mr. Ghazanfar Ali Khan advised Muslim journalists to follow the profession in a missionary spirit and maintain the noble traditions of the profession. This could only be done if employers also played their part in a proper spirit. He appealed to employers to understand sympathetically the difficulties and needs of their employees. In the unavoidable conflict between labour and capital under the present system, Mr. Ghazanfar Ali Khan said, his sympathies were strongly on the side of employees. Newspapers were, however, not profit-making concerns and in the running of newspapers employers and employees should be fellow workers in a common cause and a common objective.

Referring to the hardships which the Muslim Press suffered, the Health Member said that Muslim newspapers could not get commercial advertisements, which were the principal source of revenue for a newspaper, to the same extent as non-Muslim newspapers, because Muslims had little share in trade, commerce and industry. Because of this, to some extent, Muslim working journalists were poorly paid.

NISHTAR'S RETORT.

Sardar Abdur Rab Nishtar, in his address, said there could be no two opinions about the need for the formation or an organisation for Muslim journalists. The national life of Muslims in India had reached a stage when a powerful press was very necessary.

It was nothing short of a miracle that the Muslim press had in the face of strong opposition from foreign as well as the Hindu press, made the Muslims politically conscious.

Referring to Dr. Rajendra Prasad's recent speech in which he had stated that the Muslim League was facing isolation, Sardar Nishtar said, Muslims of India have never looked to anybody for support, but have relied on their inherent strength as a United Nation of a hundred million people. Muslims are not afraid of being isolated, and would achieve their objective through sacrifice. The Constituent Assembly was dead, and unless Muslims participated its work would have no value. Enemies of Muslims were indulging in malicious propaganda and sometimes the Government in power also was taken in by this sort of propaganda. The British and the Hindus know that Pakistan was inevitable.

Referring to the demand of the division of the Punjab and Bengal Sardar Nishtar said: "A time would come when Hindus will realise the folly of their demand". The division of the Indian army was also inevitable as any sovereign state must have an army of its own.

Mr. Husain Imam, President of the Council of State, appealed to the proprietors of newspapers to pay working journalists well. Mr. Liaqat Ali Khan in a message sent his best wishes and blessings to the Association and wished it godspeed in its work.

Mr. Faiz Ahmed Faiz, President of the Association, said Muslim journalists were doing national service and their rights and interests should be guaranteed and protected.

The association elected the following office-bearers. President: Mr. Faiz Ahmed Faiz ("Pakistan Times" Lahore). Vice-Presidents: Mr. Aziz Beg ("Star of India" Bombay) and Mr. Salmah Usmani (Patna). General Secretary: Mian Mansoorul Haque ("Pakistan Times" Lahore). Organising Secretary: Mr. Ahmed Zuberi ("Dawn" Delhi). Treasurer: Mr. Rafiq-Uddin ("Tanveer" Lucknow).

BENGAL CULTURALLY ONE UNIT

Gandhiji On Its Protection At Prayer Meeting

CALCUTTA, May 13. (A.P.I.): Mahatma Gandhi told the prayer meeting at Sodepur Ashram this evening that if the top leaders were wrong there was something radically wrong with people at the bottom. Let the people, therefore, dispel their ignorant helplessness.

Mahatma Gandhi at to-day's prayer meeting dealt with questions that were before him.

The first was: What could we do to save ourselves and our culture—whether Hindu or Muslim? Mahatma Gandhi thought that nobody else could protect their culture for them. They had to protect it themselves and could destroy it by their folly. Thus, if Bengal had one culture, as he believed it had, it was for the people of Bengal to protect it.

The second question was: When everything at the top goes wrong can the goodness of the people at the bottom assert itself against its mischievous influence?

If the people at the top went wrong it was certainly open to, and it was the duty of those at the bottom to remove the wrong top even as he would remove an umbrella which appeared to be at the top but which was sustained by him.

Thus Pandit Nehru was at the top. But in reality he was sustained by them. If he went wrong, those at the bottom could remove him without trouble. Coming nearer him, if they found Suhrawardy Saheb, (Mr. Suhrawardy, the Bengal Premier) to be unworthy they at the bottom could certainly remove him, not by physical force but by the ways he had the honour of putting before them. The argument that he was elected by Muslim voters was beside the point.

It all boiled down to the fact that if the people at the bottom were ignorant they would be exploited. Such was the case with the English. When they realised their strength and the fact that the bottom sustained the top, it would be well with them. Therefore, he would say that if the top was wrong, there was something radically wrong with the bottom. Let them, therefore, dispel their ignorant helplessness.

Before he dealt with the questions Mahatma Gandhi told some demonstrators that they need not be afraid of his doing anything they did not like. He represented nobody out himself. He could only give advice which they were free to accept or reject. Therefore, if Bengal was divided or united it would be their act.

As the crowd at to-day's meeting was much too large for the space, Mahatma Gandhi, told the audience that if they were over crowded some might disperse.

SARAT BOSE SEES MAHATMA

Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose saw Mahatma Gandhi for the fourth time to-day during the latter's present visit to Calcutta, and continued discussion on his proposal to form a socialist state in Bengal and the future constitution of such a state, as also the interim arrangements.

Mr. Kiran Sankar Roy, leader of the Opposition in the Bengal Assembly, and Mr. Satya Ranjan Bakxi, member of the Constituent Assembly, joined in to-day's discussion, which lasted for about an hour.

NEWS FROM KALYAN

Attempt To Tamper With Municipal Safe

(From Our Correspondent.)

KALYAN, May 12.

The Mehtar Union (Sweepers) of Bhiwandi-Nizampur Municipality has served a strike notice on the municipality on the 12th inst. that if their legitimate demands which were already submitted to the municipality are not met, they would strike the May 19. Following are their main demands: Increment of their pay according to the Government scale, bonus for the workers and extra staff to meet the heavy work. The Union president, Mr. Chhotam-Kumar has called a meeting of the representatives of Muslim League, Hindu Mahasabha, Congress and Scheduled Castes to put their demands before them.

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Dr. B. R. Ambedkar's birthday was celebrated by the Kalyan Scheduled Caste people by taking out a big procession with Dr. Ambedkar's photo on a cart through the main streets of Kalyan on Sunday evening.

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Kalyan Municipal Office doors were broken open on Saturday night and an iron safe tampered with. It is understood that there were Rs. 4,000 in the safe but the thief could not find it.

One Mr. Pokharaj Ganeshmal Marwadi of Kulgaon (Badlapur Railway Station near Kalyan), a ration shop owner of the place, was arrested for alleged selling of rationing cloth worth about Rs. 40 to a businessman of Kalyan. When his house was searched by the Control Officer rationed cloth of January, 1947 quota was found in his house. He was released on bail.

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RATION SHOP LOOTED.

Ration Shop at Wangni (Kalyan Taluka) was looted on the 8th instant and cloth, gur and pulses valued about Rs. 2,000 were stolen away. No arrests were made but the Police investigation is going on in the matter.

Wallace's Alternative To Truman Policy

Use Of American Money Through U.N.O. For Ploughs & Tractors And Not Guns & Fighter Planes

MINNEAPOLIS, May 13 (Reuter): Henry Wallace, former United States Vice-President who recently visited Europe, said in a speech here last night: "If the Truman policy was applied in France, Italy and England as well as in every country bordering Russia, the result would be depression, universal chaos and finally revolution and war."

He proposed as an alternative, use of American money through the United Nations for ploughs and tractors rather than for guns and fighter planes."

LOAN FOR RUSSIA

Mr. Wallace asked for a "very large loan available to Russia to prevent her from making a cancerous plague spot out of Germany."

He proposed a "plan for developing the Near East that will advance the living standard of the people there through irrigation and power projects." Such a plan, he added, could be made a "blessing to Russia, Great Britain, the United States and the whole world.

The only solution which will benefit all three is the solution which best helps the Arabian people themselves."

Mr. Wallace gave a warning that "an American depression might strengthen Communism temporarily in Western Europe, but would inevitably weaken Left Wing Government in Western Europe and Scandinavian countries."

Turning to domestic affairs, Mr. Wallace called for the nationalisation of the coal industry.

ARABS TO FORCE ISSUE OF PALESTINE'S INDEPENDENCE

Battle On Political Future Of Holy Land Not Given Up

LAKE SUCCESS (New York), May 13 (U.P.A.): The Arab States have not yet given up the fight to set up a definite political goal for the U.N. Palestine Commission inquiry and will revive efforts in the Assembly plenary, spokesman Fares el-Khoury of Syria indicated following the morning session of the Political Committee into which two more efforts to inject the independence issue in the terms of reference were knocked down.

The Committee defeated by a comfortable margin amendments by Russia and Poland first, calling for independence without delay and, second, providing for a future government set-up under United Nations auspices over a course of one to three years.

The Polish amendment was defeated 26 to 15 and twelve abstentions, and the Russian 27 to 14 and eleven abstentions.

Khoury, who earlier said the Arabs would walk out of the special session if the demand for immediate independence was not approved, told reporters the time had not yet arrived indicating the Arabs will carry the fight to the plenary Assembly.

THREAT LOSES FORCE

The Arab threat thust lost some force since when the matter comes before the plenary there will be only a day or two left of the special session to permit them a walk out.

Khoury made plain, however, that if a political goal was not given the Enquiry Commission the Arab States would flatly refuse to co-operate in its work, adding that if the Arabs refuse to co-operate the inquiry could not be a success. He gave further indication of what compromise the Arabs were willing to make when he said a non-co-operation policy would be followed by the Arabians only if the Assembly fails to do one of three things: Firstly instruct the inquiry commission to study the issue of immediate independence for Palestine; secondly, base it on the goal of placing Palestine under a trusteeship system; or, thirdly, offer to guarantee that any decision on Palestine will be in strict accord with the provisions of the charter on non-self-governing territories.

ARABS KEEP LOOPHOLE.

Khoury in his statement showed the Arabs were leaving the door ajar and may accept a general statement on the political future of Palestine which would permit them to withdraw from what seemed an uncompromising position. For example, a relatively mild statement that any decision should correspond to the provisions relating to non-self-governing territories might stand a good chance of success, while giving the Arabs the right to make the inquiry stick strictly to the charter especially with regard to its aim of self-determination of peoples without their own government.

The Political Committee besides defeating the Russian and Polish amendments completed the terms of reference with the exception of the composition of the inquiry group.

Shortly before adjournment Andrei Gromyko of Russia introduced a motion suggesting the Committee be composed of the same representatives of the same governments that form part of the Security Council. He said, "There was no objection to the way the Council was formed so why should there be objection on forming the Inquiry Committee the same way."

Argentine delegate Rodolfo Munoz withdrew his resolution in which he suggested the Big Five be represented.

Venzulean Carlos Stolk presented a motion setting up the principle that all delegates named to the Inquiry Committee solemnly pledge not to take orders from their own governments but to act on behalf of the United Nations.

SPLIT AMONG ARABS?

LAKE SUCCESS, May 12 (Reuter): The Arab delegates are understood to be split on the question whether to walk out of the special United Nations Assembly on Palestine in protest against the Political Committee's decision not to include the issue of Palestine's independence in the terms of reference of the proposed Fact-Finding Commission.

One section of the Arab delegates including Faris al Khoury of Syria, was at first understood to be in favour of making a gesture of protest by boycotting this session, but it is believed that more moderate opinion prevailed.

Faris al Khoury declared to-day: "If the independence of Palestine as one state is not taken as the guiding principle of the Fact-Finding Commission's work, then Arab co-operation cannot be ensured. We are opposed to the way the case has been put."

Asked whether this meant that the Arab states would not co-operate with the Fact-Finding Commission, he said: "The situation has not yet come to that stage."

BRING ARABS AND JEWS TOGETHER

Asaf Ali's Plea Before U. N. Political Committee

LAKE SUCCESS (New York), May 13 (Reuter): A plea for action to bring the Arabs and the Jews in Palestine together was made to the United Nations Political Committee, debating the problem last night, by Mr. Asaf Ali (India).

"For God's sake, let us build a bridge for these two; let us bring them together, let them embrace one another and live happily together", he said.

Speaking on the crucial issue whether the proposed Fact-Finding Commission should be instructed to consider possible future independence of Palestine, he criticised the wording of the United States proposal which spoke of "rights" and "peoples."

"We in India have enough experience of this phraseology" he said. "This phraseology 'peoples' has had very adverse effects. Even now we are battling with its effects.

"If our experience is any use whatsoever to the United Nations, most of whom have not gone through the miseries and unhappiness of these phraseologies, let them be very careful indeed."

NEED FOR FRANKNESS

Mr. Asaf Ali said, "Do not let us equivocate; let us be perfectly simple, straightforward, frank and candid."

"Both the Jews and Arabs were being told by this phraseology that they were going to have a state", Mr. Asaf Ali declared and added "it can be either the one or the other. It cannot be both, and this is where we are playing with fire. While talking of peace here, we are not sowing the seeds of peace, but seeds which unfortunately may not result in plants and gardens of peace.

"The whole world is watching and will expect that the United Nations will take the necessary steps to guard against old class diplomacy and will no longer indulge in equivocation and ambiguities, and in phrases which can be interpreted one way or another. Palestine independence must be the Committee's objective. Whether there will be an intervening period is another question."

Mr. Asaf Ali said that India would vote for the inclusion of the following suggested phrase "the Special Committee shall be guided by the principle that independence of Palestine should be the purpose of any plan for the future of that country."

The Committee, however, eliminated the independence question from the terms of reference.

PUNISHMENT FOR PALESTINE TERRORISTS

LONDON, May 13 (Reuter): If any terrorists in Palestine attempt to kidnap or murder British soldiers carrying out their duty, the most rigorous measure would be taken to bring them to justice, the Under-Secretary for War, Mr. John Freeman, told the House of Commons to-day in a reply to a question.

He was commenting on the fact that military authorities in Palestine had brought to the War Secretary's notice the threat of the Jewish Terrorist Organisation, Irgun Zvai Leumi, to hang any British soldier they capture in future.

Mr. Freeman said that he felt sure all responsible Jews would wish to dissociate themselves completely from this threat.

SHIP-TO-SHORE BATTLE AT SIBOLGA

BATAVIA, May 13 (A.P.A.): The Royal Netherlands Navy announced to-day that a ship-to-shore battle was touched off when light Indonesian shore batteries opened fire on a Dutch torpedo boat yesterday and caused some damage and probable casualties in Sibolga, a commercially important town of 5,000 inhabitants on the west coast of Sumatra.

D. F. Karaka: Off My Chest

Charlie Chaplin, world-famous comedian who gave us "The Kid", "The Gold Rush", "The Great Dictator", "City Lights" and other side-splitting comedies has made a new picture. This new picture is called "Monsieur Verdoux, a Comedy of Murders".

The picture has just been released in the U.S. and should be coming to Bombay one of these days.

But Bombay will not, according to this column's political Gestapo see this Charlie Chaplin picture. In fact it is expected to be BANNED IN Bombay.

The alleged reasons are as follows. The Home Department of the Government of Bombay cannot possibly allow a picture to be shown to thousands of Indians in which a man marries more than one wife just after the Government of Bombay have put through their bill to the one wife only per man. Just as liquor ads have been stopped and cuts have been made in Hollywood's Glamour "pitchers" in which the Bathing Beauties of Sam Goldwyn have not been dressed in sufficient clothing. So, to be consistent, the Home Department will have to ban Charlie Chaplin's new picture.

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The Director of Fisheries sent me an invitation to the laying of the Foundation Stone of the Taraporewala Aquarium by Premier Kher.

The Director of Fisheries requested the pleasure of my company at the ceremony.

Very kind of the Director I am sure.

But next time, you want the pleasure of my company, please ask your department to send me the invitation a little earlier than the morning of the ceremony.

If you expect the courtesy of an R.S.V.P we also have the right to expect longer notice of the event at which we are asked to be present.

This sort of nonsense of inviting the Press at the last moment—a habit with some Government Departments has got to stop.

INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND TO OPERATE SHORTLY

NEW YORK, May 12. (Reuter): The International Monetary Fund would begin effective operation within a few weeks when arrangements would be completed for member countries to use their own currency for the purchase of dollars from the fund Mr. Camille Gutt, Managing Director and Chairman of the Executive Board, stated.

Mr. Gutt added that this would be the fund's first operation. He said that it was quite possible that France might borrow currency from the Fund. Mr. Gutt made this comment in response to an observation that reports indicated that France would apply to the fund for some currency now that arrangements for loan from the world bank are complete.

BA PE TO FORM NEW PARTY

RANGOON, May 13 (A.P.A.): Ba Pe, Member of the Governor's Executive Council, announced yesterday his intention of forming his own party, which would "carry on clean politics."

Ba Pe, who has been confined to a sick bed for the past fortnight, has forwarded his letter of resignation to the Burma Governor with the request that it be put into immediate effect.

Political circles state that a break between Ba Pe and the A.F.P.F.L. will aid immeasurably the opposition already being shown to the Aung San group.

LEAGUE DEMONSTRATORS ARRESTED

HABIGANJ, (Assam), May 13 (A. P. I.): Several Muslim League demonstrators invaded the court premises of the Sub-Divisional Officer this noon to-day and raised slogans decrying the present Ministry in Assam. The police soon appeared on the spot and arrested three of the demonstrators.

The arrested persons were later placed before the Sub-Divisional Officer who sentenced one of them to one month's rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 100 and acquitted the two others.

NIGHT IN HYDERABAD PEACEFUL

HYDERABAD (Dn.), May 13. (A. P.I.): A number of persons were taken into custody at Secunderabad last night for breaches of the curfew. Otherwise, the night passed off peacefully both in Hyderabad and Secunderabad.

MADRAS STOCK MARKET.

MADRAS, May 13.

There was some calmness in the volume of business transacted in the Stock Exchange today. Indian Banks and Travancore Banks changed hands at prices showing no change. Rallis Rubbers and Travancore Rubber and Tyres were fractionally lower. Textile turned easy with Buckinghams closing 72 rupees at 240, Madura were lower at 84. In the Miscellaneous group Andhra Cements met with business at Rs. 90 whilst "facts" and India Cements were lower at 8/13 and 13/2 respectively. Singareni, Mysore rupees and Spencers were marked down by eight annas without attracting buyers.

There was steadier enquiry after the close in all sections. Following are today's quotations:—

SUGARS AND BREWERIES: Indian Sugar 20/4, Mysore Sugar 80/4.

PLANTINGS: Balmadies 2/8 b. Ochia Malabar 12/10, Chembra Peaks 10/4, Devon 18/4, Pringfords 11/12, Ouchterlony 13/2, Pullangodes 2/10, Thirumbadi 2/10, Kaleas 14.

TEXTILES: B. and C. Ordy 230, Bangalore Wol 300, Cambodia 26/12, Coimbatore Spg. 154, Coimbatore Murugan 230, Pioneer 102/8, Dharmaraja 222, Jayachamas 136, Lakshmi 207/8, Lakshmi Mov 108, Meltor 277/8, Rajalakshmi 190, Sitaram Spg. 178, Trichinopoly 20/2.

MISCELLANEOUS: And Cement 92, Mysore Paper 17/8, Mysore Chem. Mfrs. 19, Mettur Chem. 13/4.

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PALESTINE INDEPENDENCE CLAUSE DROPPED

Fact Finding Commission To Avoid Issue

U. N. O. Committee Decision Considered Victory For Jewish Agency

LAKE SUCCESS, (New York), May 12 (UPA).—The United Nations voted today to avoid the explosive issue of immediate independence for Palestine in instructing the fact-finding commission which will investigate the Palestine problem.

The Political Committee voted 29 to 14, with 10 abstentions and two absent, to avoid any reference to independence in giving the fact-finding commission its instructions. The vote represented a solid defeat for the Arab bloc of status.

The action was considered a victory for the Jewish Agency which had fought hard to keep the independence issue out of the inquiry.

The Committee still had to consider Russia's proposal that the Inquiry Commission study the question of establishing without delay an independent democratic state of Palestine, but to-day's vote showed clearly that the majority of the delegation wanted to avoid the issue altogether at present and that the Russian amendment was dormant.

LAKE SUCCESS, (New York) May 13 (Reuter).—After a long debate the Political Committee of the United Nations Special General Assembly on Palestine last night eliminated the controversial paragraph 5, dealing with the question of Palestine Independence, from the terms of reference of the proposed Fact Finding Commission.

Jewish immigration was attacked and defended and Iraq supporting the proposal by India and other countries for an independent Palestine stated: "Supporting the national aspirations of the Jews means very clearly a declaration of war and nothing less."

The Iraqi delegate Fadhil Jamli, said: "To introduce people into Palestine from abroad and make them a majority to create a state is a matter of aggression and war which in normal times cannot be solved except by fighting.

"The Jews who are in Palestine can live peacefully with us provided they give up their aggressive political intentions. No Arab who is self respecting will ever be ready to subscribe to a Jewish State, no matter what its size or shape shall be."

He was referring to a statement by the Polish Delegate M. Alfred Fiderkierwicz, who supported continuation of Jewish immigration and appealed to Britain to suspend all death sentences on terrorists.

Another Arab delegate, Faris Al Khoury of Syria, asked the United Nations to take steps against the "Jewish religious crusade" and said: "The Arabs will never allow a wedge to be driven into their fatherland or Palestine to become a bridgehead of further aggression."

A demand for the immediate cessation of Jewish immigration was made by M. Emile Ghoury, Secretary of the Arab Higher Executive, who said that it was the "determined and unequivocal will of the Arabs to refuse to consider any solution of Palestine problem which entails or even implies the loss of their sovereignty or diminution of their sovereignty in any form whatever."

Replying to a question put at an earlier meeting by Mr. Asaf Ali (India), M. Ghoury said the Arab Higher Executive was not prepared to consider or even discuss any solution of the Palestine problem based on the Balfour Declaration to which the Arabs by strikes and uprisings had manifested their opposition for 29 years.

It was not intended to involve the notion of a State he said.

Mr. David Ben-Gurion, Chairman of the Executive of the Jewish Agency, said: "The White Paper policy is responsible for the misery and deaths of large numbers of Jews and procured ants of expulsion of Jewisn refugees. It is responsible for establishing in Palestine a police state without parallel in the civilised world. It is responsible for the introduction in Palestine of racial discrimination against the Jews in land legislation. This is the real nature of the failure of the mandatory power."

"The second point is that in Palestine there is a new and unique phenomenon—a Jewish nation with all attributes and characteristics, resources and aspiration of nationhood. The Jewish-Arab partnership based on equality and mutual assistance will help bring about regeneration of the entire Middle East.

"A real, just and lasting solution of the problem before you is a Jewish State and a Jewish-Arab alliance."

JEWISH-ARAB COLLABORATION POSSIBLE

Mr. Moshe Sherton, head of the Jewish Agency's Political Department replied in the Political Committee of the United Nations Special General Assembly today to the Indian questions on Palestine.

Answering the question why were the British authorities in Palestine exposed to terrorism, Mr. Sherton replied "because the White Paper restricting Jewish immigration is still in force.

"Terrorism is a pernicious growth of that disastrous policy. The Jewish Agency unresevedly condemns terrorist bloodshed. Its harm to Jews and Jewish future is far graver than the Government and the people of Britain. But Jewish efforts to check terrorism are continually frustrated because the British Government action adds fuel to fire."

Mr. Sherton added that the Jewish Agency considered the establishment of a Jewish National Home as a "process" whereas the setting up of a Jewish State was its consummation.

Asserting that the collaboration between the Jews and the Arabs in Palestine was perfectly possible, Mr. Sherton declared "The Jews come to Palestine not to fight the Arab world. They are not as outpost of any foreign domination." He concluded that the agency favoured a Fact Finding Commission not including any interested parties.

INDIAN DELEGATE NAMED CHAIRMAN OF U. N. COMMITTEE

LAKE SUCCESS, (New York), May 12 (UPA): Indian Delegate Sir Dalip Singh was by acclamation named chairman of the United Nations Committee on International Law and its Codification.

The Committee in its first session discussed procedural arrangements and organizational matters. At the next meeting, to-morrow, it will begin the study of methods by which the General Assembly should encourage the progressive development of international law and its codification.

The British Prime Minister and Mrs. Attlee gave an "At Home" in connection with the United Nations Association to leading personalities in all branches of public life at No. 10, Downing St., last Thursday.

"Disgraceful Exhibition Of Conduct"

European Group Leader Condemns Leaguer's Action

CALCUTTA, May 13 (A.P.I.): The leader of the European Group in the Calcutta Corporation, Mr. A. A. Wise has condemned the incidents at yesterday's meeting of the Corporation as a "disgraceful exhibition of conduct by some of the city's representatives", against which there must be protest in the strongest possible language.

Yesterday's meeting, it will be recalled, was called to consider a resolution given notice of by 37 Councillors, asking for the partition of Bengal and dissolution of the present Muslim League Ministry in the province. When the Council met after a ten minutes' adjournment out of respect to the memory of the late Mr. Justice Khundkar, Mr. Taufique, a Muslim League member, was in occupation of the chair. The Mayor could not get possession of the chair and adjourned the meeting on the ground that it had become disorderly.

Referring to the occupation of the Mayoral chair by Mr. Taufique, Mr. Wise said that he had never known the Mayor's chair being usurped in the midst of a meeting by another member. If any group was opposed to the motion before the House, it was upto them to object to it constitutionally and not to express themselves in this violent and objectionable manner. "We must not, however, lose our heads but rather utilise all available resources at our disposal to bring about a better understanding among our fellow councillors."

Schacht Gets 8 Years Of Hard Labour

STUTTGART, May 13 (Reuter).—German denazification court at Stuttgart today sentenced Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, Hitler's "financial wizard" to eight years in a labour camp, dating from the time of his first arrest. This means that he has already served two years of the sentence.

Dr. Schacht was put on trial at Stuttgart after his acquittal of war crime charges by the International Court at Nuremberg last October.

The prosecution at the Stuttgart trial demanded an eight-years labour camp sentence, but admitted as extenuating circumstances Dr. Schacht's poor health, his age—he is 72—and his long confinement at Nuremberg.

BREAK THIS BARRIER OF MISUNDERSTANDING

Military Commander In Jerusalem Appeals For Co-operation

JERUSALEM, May 12 (Reuter): Brigadier J. G. Bedford Roberts, Military Commander in Jerusalem tonight broadcast a statement in which he declared that relaxation of security measures placing Jewish cafes, cinemas, bars and restaurants out of bounds to British troops which was to have become effective tomorrow would be delayed for the time being following the murder of two British policemen by Jewish terrorists tonight.

Brigadier Roberts appealed for co-operation between British forces and the Jewish population. He said that there had arisen between civilians and military in Jerusalem a "barrier of misunderstanding" and appealed to the civilians for their help in breaking it down. "Soldiers have no concern with politics we are here to assist the police in maintaining order", Brigadier Bedford Roberts added.

"The British soldier, in helping to maintain law and order is dealing with people unknown to him and amongst them are gangsters seeking every opportunity to take his life. Consequently he is suspicious. Can you blame him?" the Brigadier said.

He disclosed that the British troops garrisoning Jerusalem were getting only every other night in bed—doing 24 hours on duty and 24 hours off duty.

One of the main reasons for "misunderstanding" between troops and civilians, Brigadier Roberts declared, was that they were unable to mix. He promised to investigate all complaints received concerning the behaviour of troops in Jerusalem.

The sirens sounded all clear two and a half hours after the policemen were murdered tonight. During the alert all traffic in the city was at a standstill.

Although hundreds of Jews witnessed the murder of the British policemen in crowded Ben Yehuda Street, the Palestine police announced late last night that no one had come forward to describe the terrorists who shot them or to give details of the shooting.

JEWS UNDER DETENTION

JERUSALEM, May 13 (A.P.A.): It was officially announced in Jerusalem that 632 Jews are under detention in Palestine and Kenya.

Officials said that 351 were now in Kenya, including 50 flown there on Sunday, 247 in Latrun detention camp and 34 women in Bethlehem.

German Prisoners Arrested

CAIRO, May 12, (Reuter): Three escaped German prisoners were reported today to have been arrested during investigations into the bomb outrage in Metro Cinema Cairo on May 6 when five persons were killed and 40 injured.

EGYPT'S CASE FOR SECURITY COUNCIL

CAIRO, May 12 (APA): The Egyptian Prime Minister, Nokrashi Pasha, told the Chamber of Deputies today that the Egyptian Government would submit to the Security Council soon after the current Palestine session its demand for British evacuation of Egypt and the Sudan and unity of the Nile Valley.

Replying to criticism that delay in submitting the case was harmful to Egypt's case, Nokrashi Pasha said that there was no delay on his part. Nokrashi Pasha said he had not been advised or requested by other Egyptian statesmen to denounce the 1936 Treaty unilaterally.

CAWNPORE, May 12, (A.P.I.): The Bengal Club defeated the Begg Sotherland Athletic Club by four goals to nil in the first round of the Northern India Football Challenge Cup Tournament played at Green Park this evening.

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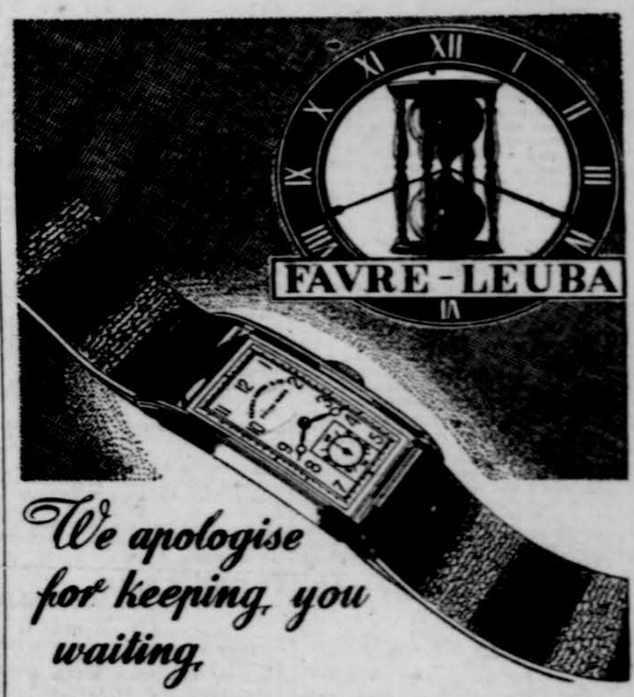

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Further Drop In Tata Steel Shares

MODERATE REALISING IN SILVER BUT GOLD STEADY

Cotton Market Quietens After Steady Opening

Bombay, May 13

The Bombay Stock Exchange ruled quiet again to-day on increased selling particularly in Tata Steel shares. Most of the operators seem to be nervous over labour troubles and there was very little buying. Cotton Mill shares also ruled quiet in sympathy with weakness in Steel shares. The market displayed poor rallying capacity owing to fears of deflation but recently there had been heavy liquidation and the market position remains healthy.

Tata Steel Defds opened at Rs. 2055 and after improving at Rs. 2065 declined at Rs. 2020 on general selling At this level there developed some covering and the market rallied at Rs. 2032 and steadied at Rs. 2027. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 387 and after improving at Rs. 390 eased off at Rs. 380/8 but recovered at Rs. 384. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1042 and after improving at Rs. 1056 declined at Rs. 1030 and steadied at Rs 1037. Kohinoors opened at Rs. 672 and hardened at Rs. 680 but declined at Rs 663 the market steadied and with scattered support rallied at Rs. 669 and quietened at Rs. 665. Simplex shares opened at Rs. 309 and after improving at Rs. 312 declined at Rs. 306. Swadeshi shares opened at Rs. 602 and after declining at Rs. 595 hardened at Rs. 608, Indore shares opened at Rs. 530 and eased off at Rs. 492. Scindia shares were quiet at Rs. 30/8 while Central Banks were placed at Rs. 103/4.

Towards the close there was renewed selling and Defds came down at Rs. 2015 while Ordinary shares were done at Rs. 384. Bombay Dyeings were quiet at Rs. 1030 and Kohinoors stood at Rs. 665. Indores steadied at Rs. 500. Trams changed hands at Rs. 114. Imperial Bank shares were done at Rs. 2405 and Associated Cements stood at Rs. 174. The market closed at about the lowest level of the day.

As a net result of day's working, Tata Steel Dfds. lost Rs. 35, Ordinary Rs. 2, Bombay Dyeing Rs. 15, Kohinoor Rs. 3, Swadeshi Rs. 3, Simplex gained Rs. 2, Indore lost Rs. 27.

MILLS.

Bombay Dyeing 1030 Kohinoor 665 Swadeshi 597 Nagpur 275 Simplex 308 New Great 353 Gokak 296 Indore 500 Century 885 Colaba 225 Indian Bleaching 162 Swan 344 Finlay X. D. 304 Morarji 650 Edward 670 Meyer 246/4 Apollo 4/3 I. U. Ord. 15/4 I. U. Dfd. 3/1 Madhusudan 305 Podar 330 Khatau 300.

STEEL SHARES

Tata Steel Ord. 384 Tata Steel Dfd. 2015 Second Pref 166.

CEMENT

Associated Merger 174.

INDUSTRIES

Burma 450 Bellapur 252 Shivrajpur 36 Scindia 30/10 Construction 193 Tata Chemical 16 Tata Oil 76 Indian Iron 33/4 Bengal Steel 25/10.

ELECTRIC SHARES.

Tram Ordinary 114 Tata Hydro 176 Andhra 1665 Tata Power 1685.

MILLS (CASH).

Elphinstone 92 Phoenix 1300 India Manufacturing 3700 Koorla 300 Dawn 1602/8 David 151/4 New City 226/12 Minerva 210 Bradbury 600 Bharucha (Defd.) 8 Bharat 51/8 Mysore 300 Madhavji 17 Model 200 Laxmi 1725 Vishnu 650 Western 3600 Standard 862/8 Sholapur 6165 Sassoon Cotton 19/8 Hindustan 3600 Tata 93 Ahmedabad Advance 460 Sassoon Silk 85 New Union 18/4 Madhusudan B. 60 Shrinivas 405 Raja Bahadur 116/4 Berar 375 Victoria 425.

ELECTRIC SHARES (CASH).

Ahmedabad 156/4 (New) 115 Surat 243/12 New Pref. 140 Karachi 240 Broach 12/1 Ajmer 13/8 Amalgamated 20/4 Jalgaon 14/12 Nagpur 58 Poona 210 Bombay Suburban 202/8 Bombay Suburban (New) 164/10.

BANK SHARES.

Reserve 117/8 Imperial 2405 P. P. 585 Central X. R. 103 India 241 Union 11/8 Baroda 166 Habib 164 Dena Bank 60 United Commercial 74 Jaipur 62 Hindusthan Com. 47 Mysore 460 Exchange (Ord.) 53.

INSURANCE

Oriental 5775 Empire 975 New India 81/12 Jupiter 34 Vulcan 16 Indian Mercantile 60/8 Universal Fire 18 Vasant 22/4 British India General 22 Industrial Prudential 45 Neptune 13/6 New Great 43 All-India General 34.

RAILWAYS.

O. P. 108/8 Mymensing 113 Guaranteed 113 Sara Sirajganj 116 Pachora 101 Mandra Bhon 116.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 550 Steamer 562/8 Burma New 166/4 Burma Petrol 3/12 Mackenzie 185 Port Canning 88/12 Kemp 575 Zandu Pharmacy 202/8 Indian Radio (Ord.) 377 Indian Radio B. 375 Indian Radio 361/4 Indian Investment Trust 106/8 Wimco X. R. 271/4 Dharamsey Chemical 38 Mukund Iron 14/12 Dena Trust 25 Alembic 355 Supreme India 228 Jamwire 141/8 Bombay Uganda 85 Bombay Motor Cycle 43/8 India Cement 42 Walchand Nagar Industries 325 United Motor 70 A. C. C. New 61.

PREFERENCE SHARES.

Tata Steel (1st Pref.) 209/6 Tram 52 Andhra Valley 1390 Tata Power 1445 Hydro 143/8 Bombay Steamer 315 Nagpur 685 Swadeshi 150 Vishnu 822/8 Laxmi 306/4 New Great 268/12 Poddar 116 Shrinivas 101 Elphinstone 130 Bradbury 523/12 Surat Elec. 211/4 Premier Construction (1st Pref.) 119 (2nd Pref.) 122/8 Amalgamated 156/4 Habib 72 Tata Chemical 116/4 Walchand Nagar Industries 250 Jupiter 19/12 Supreme 120.

OUTSIDE SHARES.

Indian Copper 3/2 B. I. C. 9/4 Burma Corporation 4/4 New Victoria 5 New Victoria Preference 6/8 Raja 29 Phalton 125 Gold Mohar 370 New Kaiser-i-Hind 430 Sajjan 300 Osmanshahi 300 Ajamshahi 265 Air Services 16/8 Air India 180 Birla Motor 7/14 Marshal 7/8.

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BOMBAY, May 13.

Apollo 4/3/6 4/2 4/3
Bharat 51 51/8
B. Dyeing 1042/8 52/8 50 55 42/8 52/8 47/8 56/4 30 37/8 20 37/8 30
Bradbury (Ord.) 595 600
C. India 274 76 73 75
Century 885
Elphinstone (Ord.) 92
Finlay 303 2 5 298 304
Gokak 296 98 93 96
I. U. (Defd.) 3/2 3/0/6 3/1
I. U. (Ord.) 15/6 15/5 15/7 15/2 15/4
Indore 527/8 497/8 502/8 491/4 500 497/8 500
Kohinoor 672 75 70 76 74 77 74 80 63 69 55 67 65
Model 201/4 200
New City 227/8
C. India (Pref.) 587/8 86/4
New Great 358 59 48 54 47 53
Phoenix 1295 1300
Simplex 309 12 11 12 3 9 8
Swadeshi 602 9 596 608 584 600 597
Swan 350 45 48 44
Tata Mills 94/8 93
Vishnu 650 (ex. div.)

BANKS.

Baroda 166
Central 103 3/4 2/12 3
Imperial (Old) 2400 5
Imperial (New) 587/8 85
Reserve 118 17/8

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 156/4
Andhra Valley 1565
B. Tram (Ord.) 116 14 15 14 14/8 15
B. Tram (Pref.) 53/8 52
Hydro 176
Power 1692/8 85

INSURANCE.

I. Mercantile 61 60/8
New India 81/12 81/8 82 81/12 82/8 81 81/12
Scindhia Steam 30/14 30/12 30/16 30.6 30/8 30/3 30/11 30/10

STEEL.

B. Steel 25/14 25/12 25/14 25/8 25/11 25/6 25/10
I. Iron 33/8 33/9 33/1 33/5 33/2 33/6 33/4
Tata (Defd.) 2055 45 60 57/8 65 30 32/8 2000 2010 7/8 15 10 30 15
Tata (Ord.) 387 90 88/8 89/8 89/8 84 80/8 84 81 81/8 80/8 83 82 86 84
Tata (1st Pref.) 208/12 9/6
Tata (IInd Pref.) 166/6 67 66

MISCELLANEOUS.

A. C. C. (Old) 174 75 73/8 74 73 74
A. C. C. (New) 61/4 60 61
Belapur 252 53 52 53 49 50 48 52 51 52
B. B. (Old) 44/7 50 43/12 50
B. B. (New) 166/4
B. B. Petrol 3/12
Port Canning 84 83/12
P. Construction 194 97 93 94/8 92 93
Shivrajpur 36
Tata Chemical 16/4 16
Tata Chemical (Pref.) 115 16/4
Tata Oil 77 78/8 76/8 77 76
Wimco 272/8 67/8 71/4
All-India Gen. Ins. 34
Ahmedabad Elec. (New) 115

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, May 13.—The produce market is mainly influenced by firmness of castorseeds where upcountry buying and buying of "call rights" are hardening quotations. Castorseeds May were nominally quoted at a premium of Rs. 4|- over the ceiling rate September opened at Rs. 145|6 and improved at Rs. 146 and later declined at Rs. 144|8. Ready stood at Rs. 30|8 and Cawnpore Bold were quoted at Rs. 28|4. Castorseed oil first pressing was quoted at Rs. 22|8 and commercial quality was placed at Rs. 18. Groundnuts Khandesh quality Rs. 31|8. Coromandal Rs. 31 and Bold Rs 30|4. Ready Groundnut Oil Bombay Mills Rs. 18|12 and June delivery was quoted at Rs. 18|8. Linseed Ready was quoted at Rs 2|6 and April May was also quoted at Rs. 26|6. July-August business was done at Rs. 26|10. Linseed Oil was placed at Rs. 18|4.

Later on there was renewed buying in Castorseeds and September delivery advanced at Rs 146|8. At this level there was some realising and the market finally declined at Rs. 145|6.

LONDON BULLION

London, May 12

Silver Spot	44 1/4d
Silver Forward	44 1/4d

LONDON GOLD

London, May 12

Gold Bars Fine per oz £8-12-3

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

BOMBAY, May 13.

	Rs.	as.	p.
2-3/4 pc 1948/52	101	4	0
2-3/4 pc 1960	100	6	0
2-1/2 pc 1961	98	10	0
3 pc 1949/52	102	10	0
3 pc 1951/54	103	0	0
3 pc 1953/55	103	6	0
3 pc 1957 V. L.	103	2	0
3 pc 1959/61	102	11	6
4 pc B. P. T.	115	0	0
5 pc M. Debent.	120	8	0
6 pc B. P. T.	125	0	0
3 pc 1963/65	125	14	0
3 pc 1966/68	102	10	0
3 pc 1970/75	102	5	0
3 pc 1986 New	102	1	0
3-1/2 pc 1947/50	101	4	0
4 pc 1960/70	114	0	0
4 pc 1983 Kar. Mun.	114	0	0
4 pc 1955/60	117	0	0
4 pc M. Debent.	115	0	0
6 pc M. Debent	123	0	0

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE.

BOMBAY, May 13.

Tata Ordinary 384; Tata Deferred 2115; Indian Iron 33/4; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 25/10; Bombay Dyeing 1030; Central India 275; Gokak 296/4; Kohinoor 665; Simplex 306; Swadeshi 596/14; Tata Power 1685; Associated Cement 174; Belapur 251/14; Bombay Burma (Old) 450; Scindia 30/10; Central Bank 103/2, New India 81/14 Tata 2nd Pref. 166/4.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, May 13

The cotton market was fairly steady with scattered buying and short covering. Trading was restricted and price fluctuations were confined to a narrow range.

At the opening July was quoted at Rs. 436/8 against expected opening at Rs. 436. There was moderate buying and July improved at Rs. 437 but later the market ruled quiet on moderate realising and July declined at Rs. 436. September business was reported at Rs. 444/4.

Karachi July opened to-day at Rs. 46/7 and later stood at Rs. 46/6/9. In the local market there was scattered buying and July was quoted at Rs. 436/12.

In the afternoon there was increased selling and July declined at Rs. 435/8. The market closed at 4-30 p.m. as under:—

I.C.C. July	435 8 0
I.C.C. Sept.	443 14 0

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian cotton July contract is 1742 cent points below New York July at Exchange rate 31.

GOLD AND SILVER

BOMBAY, May 13.—The Bullion Market was steady with moderate demand for gold from upcountry particularly Madras and Punjab remain best buyers. Local stock is also limited. Silver market is influenced by bullish enthusiasm in Tukda Bazar where professional operators remain steady buyers. However stocks of silver are fairly sufficient but they are controlled by chokseys otherwise the demand is very modest.

The settlement of Vaishak contracts is progressing favourably and it appears that most of the members have set in their clearing statements.

Ready Silver opened today at Rs. 170|8 and declined at Rs. 169|12. Ready Gold opened at Rs. 110|4 and quietened at Rs. 110 while Sovereigns were quoted as Rs. 71/8.

KUTCH HUNDI.

BHUJ, May 13.

Hundi Kori's 301 to 302 Silver Rs. 148, Gold Rs. 103.

Liquidation On N. Y. Cotton Exchange

MARKET PASSING THROUGH JITTERY IRREGULARITIES

NEW YORK, May 12. (U.P.A.): Quiet trading featured to-day's session of the New York Cotton Exchange, as prices rallied briskly with strong close gains after an early start, only to weaken again under renewed liquidation hedge selling in the final minutes of trading. Limited activity during most of the session was given over to final adjustments of May delivery before the position expires on Thursday at noon.

The session opened four to 22 lower, see-sawed nervously and then closed five to 29 lower. Bearish factors cited include the recent improvement in crop conditions the continuation of consumer price resistance, easiness of other commodities, including hogs, rubber, hides, coffee cottonseed oil and butter, and the decline of securities.

POLITICAL DICTA.

Mr. Clinton Revere, a recognized authority in the raw cotton market, said, "At present cotton is passing through a period of jittery irregularities from which it is impossible to figure out a discernible trend." He said the basic principles of supply and demand "are being supplanted by political dicta," and added that "the research and merchant logic oy which our market operations have heretofore been largely governed must stand aside for political opportunism. In the past, trade experience supported by factual data has furnished guidance for the formation of price opinion.

FUTURES COMMITMENTS REDUCED.

The Department of Agriculture reported to-day that the commitments of large and small traders in cotton futures were reduced substantially between March 31 and April 30. The Department said open contracts declined 262,500 bales in that month.

On April 30, the total of open contracts on the three futures markets amounted to 2,658,850 bales, of which the New York Exchange accounted for 1,947,600; New Orleans for 686,250 and Chicago for 25 000.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, May 12

May	36.39—19
July	34.22—29
October	29.19—17
October highest	29.54+18
October lowest	29.19—17
December	28.25—13
January	27.79—14
March	27.65—10
Middling spot	36 90—29

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, May 12

May	36.25—16
July	34.09—31
October	29.18—34
December	28.18—21
March	27.56—16
Middling spot	36.20—30

WALL STREET MARKET EASY

NEW YORK, May 12.

Idle conditions prevailed as most operators continued to be cautious whilst awaiting further developments in the readjustment of the economic structure with the ticker tape frequently at a standstill. Price changes were mixed barely reaching one point, with losses predominating. The groups most vulnerable to profit-taking and other selling included rails, motors, oils, steels, aviations and rubbers. The averages were industrials 171,27 and rails 44.50. In the afternoon idle conditions continued with absence of any supporting bids which resulted in values drifting down in restricted trading. Irregularly lower tendencies ruled in the fifth hour with losses covering one point or more and little evidence of recuperative ability. Business became more animated during later trading as pressure increased along a fairly broad front and brought losses ranging upto two points or so. There was special emphasis on leading motors, oils, chemicals, steels, rails, farm implements, buildings, wetstocks, rubbers and department stores. The market closed easy.

New York Stock Exchange

American Telephone & Telegraph	163-3/4
Amerex Holding Co.	29
Anaconda Copper Mining	36
Chase National Bank	34-5/8
Sinclair Oil	15
Firestone Tyre & Rubber Co	50
General Electric Co.	33-1/8
General Motors	56-3/8
Ingersol Rand	113
International Nickel	30-1/4
National City Bank of New York	39-1/2
New York Central Rail Road Co.	14
Socony Vacuum Corporation	15-1/4
Texas Corporation	60-5/8
Union Carbon and Carbide	96-3/4
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co.	42-1/2
U. S. Steel Corporation (Common)	66-3/4
Western Union Telegraph	19-5/8

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGES

LONDON, May 12 (Reuter.)—On the whole it had been rather a disappointing day as far as trading was concerned although general prices were well maintained. A notable exception to this was the market for British Government securities where there were one-eighth declines in a small turnover.

The industrials were somewhat irregular. Newspaper and paper manufacturing issues were firm, but motors and breweries were undecided.

Miscellaneous issues were little changed apart from United Molasses which lost a shilling, despite a five per cent increase in annual distribution. The Molasses trading profits expanded from £450,000 to £590,000 last year.

South African gold shares recovered earlier losses, but coppers were dull. Brazilians made a good showing in foreign bonds and Italian seven per cents were also prominent with a three point gain.

In foreign rails the chief interest was directed to Central Uruguay issues with the Uruguayan mission coming to London to discuss sterling balances.

Oils were well held with the exception of Anglo-Egyptian shares which fell three and nine pence on nervous selling in a restricted market.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, May 13.

B. O. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/8 15/16 Ready.
B. O. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/8 29/32 up to 6 Months.
London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/8 31/32 Ready
London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/8 15/16 up to 6 Months.
London Banks Buying T. T. 1/8 1/32 to 9th Months.
London Banks Buying T. T. 1/8 1/16 10th-12th Months.
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/8 1/16 to 4th Months
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/8 3/32 5th and 6th Months
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/8 1/8 7th-9th Months
London Banks Buying 90 d/st 1/8 1/8 to 4th Months.
London Banks Buying 90 d/st. 1/8 5/32 5th and 6th Months
London Banks Buying 90 d/st. 1/8 3/16 7th and 9th Months.

NEW YORK & MONTREAL RATES.

B O Rate T.T. Rs 332 1/4.
Banks Selling I. T. D D Rs 332 1/4.
Banks Buying T T Rs 330.
Banks Buying D. D. N Y. Rs. 329
Montreal Rs 328 3/4 under L/C.
Banks Buying D D N Y Rs. 328 3/4
Montreal Rs 328 1/2 not under L/C
Paris Banks Selling T. T. Frs. 3550
Paris Banks Buying T. T. Frs. 3650
Amsterdam Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fl. 76.
Hongkong Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 84.
Singapore Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 187 1/4.
Burma Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 100 1/2.
London Discts. 3 mos. 17/32%.
London Discts. 6 mos. 9/16-5/8%.
Reserve Bank Rate 3% Bank of England Rate 2%.
Money:—Call 1/4 pc, 3 Months 1/2 pc, 6 Months 3/4 pc. 12 Months 1 1/4 pc.
Tone:—Easy.

CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA, LTD.

The following is the Statement of Liabilities and Assets of the Central Bank of India, Ltd., for the fortnight dated 30th April:—

LIABILITIES.

	Rs.	Rs
Capital Subscribed	5,23,47,000	
Capital Paid-up		2,61,73,000
Reserve Fund		3,08,41,000
Contingency Fund		10,00,000
Deposits, Debts due to Banks and—Agents, Bills Payable, etc.		1,19,00,78,000
Sundries including Branch Adjustments		29,34,34,000
Total Rs.		1,54,06,23,000

ASSETS.

	Rs.
Cash Credit and Overdrafts on Government and other Authorised Securities	45,66,90,000
Loans on Government and other Authorised Securities	7,07,48,000
Bills Discounted	5,66,88,000
Lands & Buildings	99,29,000
Sundries including Branch Adjustments	23,68,31,000
Cash in hand, at Banks, Moneys at Call and Investments in War Bonds, Government Paper, Treasury Bills, Shares, Debentures, etc.	70,96,37,000
Total Rs.	1,54,06,23,000

LONDON PEPPER AGAIN IRREGULAR

LONDON, May 12, (U.P.A.): The London pepper market was once more irregular today, with white pepper being quoted at 1s. 11—3/4 and black at surance.

CONTROL OF CAPITAL ISSUES SCHEME

Consent for a total sum of Rs. 2,30,79,040 in respect of 13 companies was given during the week ended May 8, 1947, under the Control of Capital Issues Scheme. All but one of the consents were for "Immediate" scheme. The amount approved for the only "Long-range" scheme was Rs 50 lakhs—for the manufacture of vegetable and industrial oils, paint, varnishes, distemper, starch, phenyles, power alcohol, plastics, etc. the hydrogenation of oil to be undertaken without the consent of the Central Government).

The largest consent was one of the one crore, for a banking concern. Two consents of Rs. 20 lakhs each were given for: (a) the production of cinema films as well as their exhibition and distribution, and (b) for Life, Fire and "Miscellaneous" in-

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE.

CALCUTTA, May 13

Easier condition prevailed round almost all sections and the volume of business was only limited.

Following are today's final transactions up to 2-00 p.m.:—

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES: Three per cent Loan 1966 102/1, three per cent Loan 1963/65 103/2, three per cent Victory 1967 102 13 three per cent Loan 1966/68 102 11, three per cent Loan 1963/65 102/13, three per cent 1976/78 102/5/8.

BANKS: Bharat Bank 7/14, Reserve Bank 118, United Commercial Bank 77

COTTON: Kesoram 19 10.

COAL: Central India 12 7.

JUTES: Auckland (Pref.) 126, Bengal (Pref.) 113, Hooghly (Pref.) 21, National (Pref.) 197.

MISCELLANEOUS: Upper Ganges Electric 13 CT, B. I. Corporation 9 8, Godfre Phyllips 19, Indian National Airways Ord. 18, Jardine Henderson 200, Martin Burn 23/16, Ruby General Insurance 16/4, Titaghur Paper (First Pref.) 198, India Steamship 14 11.

SUGAR: Cawnpore (Pref.) 200.

NEW YORK SILVER PRICE

NEW YORK, May 12 (UPA).—The price of silver remained unchanged at 73-3/4 cents per ounce on the New York market today, total sales amounting to about 200,000 ounces.

MEXICAN BULLION PRICES

MEXICO CITY, May 12, (U.P.A.): The metals market yesterday ended a week broken up by three holidays without an indication of much interest either in gold or in silver.

All types of gold closed the week at 4.04-1/2, which is half a centavo off the week's opening, while silver closed at 1.02-1/2, not having changed since Tuesday.

Traders maintained that the Government gold export restrictions imposed several months ago were exerting a depressing influence on the yellow metal while silver followed the lead of the New York and London exchanges.

CHICAGO GRAINS MARKET

CHICAGO, May 13.

Chicago grains. The initial weakness was attributed to the uncertainty of future Government export wheat policy and the continued favourable crop data. Prices steadied later on increased commercial support attracted by the sharp setback towards the close wheat advanced briefly after the Washington news that there will be no change in the time element regarding deliveries of May wheat to the Commodity Credit Corporation. Greece and Portugal were still marketing for United States flour but elsewhere export business was reported slow over the week-end. The C. C. C. Chicago office bought 75,000 bushels of maize on Friday with indications that the agency remained in the market in a limited way this morning. Nearby Winnipeg rye deliveries continued strong with July advancing 10 cents, the permissible daily limit, for the second successive session presumably reflecting additional export inquiries.

NEW YORK PEPPER

NEW YORK, May 13 (UPA.)—Black pepper futures closed inactive and nominally unchanged in today's session of the New York market and the situation in actual pepper was correspondingly dull. Dealers reported offerings as low as 32 cents per pound for lampong, with buyers uninterested. In view of the slow consumer demand and the effect of price resistance talk, grinders continued to draw on inventories rather than make new purchases. Other quarters felt that offerings at the 32-cent level represented small lots held by distressed speculators and indicated that bids one or two cents higher would bring out sizeable offerings. Pointing out that additional releases from India are likely to be made on a piecemeal basis and uncertainty over future supplies from Sumatra and Singapore, a few market observers said they were puzzled over the soft price tone. One supposed explanation for the easiness was the possibility that some pepper may be afloat and destined for the domestic market from Batavia or Sumatra.

Closing prices included: May 32 nom; July 30 nom; September 27.50 nom; October through March 30 nom.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, May 12

Consols 2 1 2 per cent	25 7 8
Conversion Loan 3 1 2 per cent 1961	111 7 8
War loan 3 1/2 per cent 1952 and after	106 9/16
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960-90	118 3 8
Victory bonds 4 per cent	120
Chartered Bank of I A and China	12 11 16
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London reg.)	120 1/2
National Bank of India	36 3 4

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APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the posts in the various offices mentioned below under the Director of Agricultural Engineering. The posts are for the present sanctioned up to 29th February, 1948 but prospects of permanency are as detailed in the Press Note, No. P. 130, dated 20th January, 1947, relating to temporary posts in the Public Works Department.

(1) OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING, POONA.

	Post.	Pay Scale	Qualification.
1	Head Draftsman (Civil)	130-10-250 for a otherwise 135-10 2-185	B.E. or a D.C.E.
1	Assistant Draftsman (Civil)	50-5,2-90	Practical experience
2	Tracers (Civil)	25-2-55-3-70	Practical experience
2	Office Superintendents	265-15-355	Graduates with office experience
2	Jr. Office Superintendents	170-10-250	
5	Senior Assistants.	135-5-180	
5	Senior Clerks	95-5-115	Matriculates with office experience
5	Junior Clerks	70-5-95	
8	Clerks	50-5 2-70	
1	Stenographer	100-5-200	Minimum shorthand speed of 100 words a minute and 40 words in typing.
4	Typists	70-5-95	Minimum speed of 40 words.

(2) OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, MINOR IRRIGATION, POONA.

1	Head Draftsman (Civil)	180-10-250 otherwise 135-10,2-185	for a B.E. or a D.C.E.
1	Assistant Draftsman (Civil)	50-5,2-90	Practical Experience
1	Overseer (Civil)	70-5-110-10-250	B.E. or D.C.E.
2	Tracers (Civil)	25-2-55-3-70	Practical Experience
1	Head Clerk	200-10-260	Graduates with office experience
1	First Clerk	135-5-180	
1	Senior Clerk	95-5-115	Matriculates with office experience
3	Junior Clerks	70-5-95	
3	Clerks	25-5,2-65	
2	Clerk-typists	25-5|2-65	Matriculates knowing typing

(3) FOR THE OFFICE OF THE FIVE EXECUTIVE ENGINEERS MINOR IRRIGATION, WITH HEADQUARTERS AT AHMEDABAD, BROACH, POONA, BELGAUM AND DHARWAR, RESPECTIVELY.

68	Overseers (Civil)	70-5-110-10-250	B.E. or D.C.E.
5	Draftsmen (Civil)	90-5,2-140	D.C.E.
5	Assistant Draftsmen (Civil)	50-5,2-90	Practical experience
30	Tracers (Civil)	25-2-55-3-70	Practical experience
30	Computors	25-2-55-3-70	Practical experience
60	Surveyors	70-5-110-10-250	B.E. or D.C.E.
5	Storekeepers	90-5,2-120	Matriculates with practical experience
5	Head Clerks	115-5-160	Graduates with office experience
20	Head Clerks	70-5-95	Matriculates with office experience
5	Senior Clerks	95-5-115	Matriculates with office experience
20	Junior Clerks	70-5-95	Matriculates with office experience
10	Typists	70-5-95	Minimum speed of 40 words
60	Clerks	25-5|2-65	Matriculates

2. In addition to the pay mentioned above all posts carry interim relief and dearness allowance or cost of living allowance, as the case may be, at the rates sanctioned by Government from time to time. Applications should be addressed to the Director of Agricultural Engineering, Cama Cottage, Cannaught Road, Poona, and should reach him on or before 26th May, 1947. The applications should contain particulars regarding name in full, age, domicile, educational qualifications and experience, if any. Applications should be accompanied by copies of testimonials which will not be returned. Originals should be produced as and when called for interview. Candidates may apply for one or more posts which should be clearly mentioned.

3. Higher starting pay in the pay scales mentioned above may be allowed to suitably experienced candidates. Overseers and Surveyors will be given a starting pay up to Rs. 200 in the above mentioned scale if they are Engineering graduates and up to Rs. 130 if they hold a diploma in engineering, depending on their individual experience.

4. Persons already in Government service are eligible but they should apply through the Heads of their Departments. Retired persons will also be considered, especially for technical posts, if they are physically fit. If persons with the requisite qualifications are not forthcoming candidates with lower qualifications or practical experience only will be considered if they are otherwise suitable. The applicants will have to bear their own expenses when called for an interview.

W. X. MASCARENHAS,
Joint Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Reconstruction Department.
Bombay, 10th May, 1947.
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(3489)

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Applications already received will be considered together with those which may be filed in the course of the extended period.

P. B. RUDRA,
Secretary
Alipore, the 6th May, 1947
(3513)

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NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS are invited by the undersigned on 19th May, 1947, from the approved C.P.W.D. contractors for the work "Providing Temporary hangar etc. at Santacruz (Levelling and dressing the area for Callendar Hamilton and Belman Hangar)" estimated cost Rs. 42,500/-.

The tender forms will be sold for Rs. 3/4/- which amount is refundable. Conditions of sale etc. can be obtained from office.

I. S. CHOPRA.
Executive Engineer.
Bombay Aviation Division,
Commerce House, Ballard Estate, Bombay.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, BENGAL.

APPLICATIONS are invited from candidates of all communities to fill the following vacancies under the Department of Civil Supplies, Government of Bengal. (1) 2 posts of Deputy Diretor of Storage. Pay between Rs. 800|- and Rs. 1,100|-. One of the posts is reserved for a Muslim and the other for a non-Muslim. Qualifications: A candidate must be a graduate and have at least five years practical experience in handling and storage of food grains and have knowledge of modern systems of disinfection. (2) 1 post of Deputy Director of Transportation. Pay Rs. 1,100|-. The post is reserved for a Muslim. Qualifications: A candidate must be a graduate and have at least three years experience in a responsible administrative post connected with transportation by land or by water. (3) 2 posts of Deputy Director of Textile. Pay between Rs. 800|- and 1,100|-. One of the posts is reserved for a Muslim and the other for a member of the Scheduled Castes. Qualifications: A candidate must be a graduate and have at least five years executive experience in a business concern preferably in one dealing with yarn and cloth. (4) 1 post of Deputy Director of Consumer Goods. Pay Rs. 800 - to 1,100 -. The post is reserved for a member of the Scheduled Castes. Qualification: A candidate must be a graduate and have 8 years experience in an executive capacity in a business concern. (5) 1 post of Deputy Director of Rice Procurement (Inspection). Pay between Rs. 800|- and 1,100|-. The post is reserved for a Muslim. Qualification: A candidate must be a graduate and have experience in an executive capacity; he must have ability to exercise control over field staff and to undertake hard touring. Preference will be given to a candidate having held responsible posts in the Armed Forces. (6) 1 post of Deputy Director of Rationing (Headquarters). Pay between Rs. 800 - and 1,100|-. The post is reserved for a Non-Muslim. Qualifications: A candidate must be a graduate and have at least five years experience in an administrative in a reputable business concern; preference will be given to a candidate having knowledge of management of general stores in a business concern. (7) 2 posts of Regional Controller of Procurement. Pay Rs. 1,100|-. One of the posts is reserved for a Muslim and the other for a non-Muslim. Qualifications: A candidate must be a graduate and have 8 years experience either in a Government Department or large business concern: preference will be given to candidates having fair general knowledge of the classification and grading of rice and paddy and their marketing. (8) 1 post of Regional Movement Officer. Pay Rs. 600|-. The post is reserved for a Muslim. Qualifications: a candidate must be graduate and able to undertake hard touring. Preference will be given to men with experience of organising transport operations. (9) 6 posts of Assistant Director of Consumer Goods. Pay between Rs. 350|- and Rs. 550|-. Of these five are reserved for Muslims and 1 for a member of the Scheduled Castes. Qualifications: A candidate must be a graduate and have at least 5 years experience in a business concern. (10) One post of Assistant Director (Motor Transport). The post is reserved for a Muslim. Pay between Rs. 500|- and Rs. 600|-. Qualification: A candidate must have experience in operating motor transport and knowledge of garage organisation. He must have practical experience in maintenance and repair in supervisory capacity and must be fit for hard touring. (11) 1 post of Assistant Director of Transportation. Pay and qualifications same as (1) above. The post is reserved for a Non-Muslim. (12) 2 posts of Assistant Director of Storage. Pay between Rs. 400,- and Rs. 600 -. Of these two one is reserved for a Muslim and the other for a Non-Muslim. Qualifications: A candidate must have at least two years' practical experience in storage and must be fit for hard touring. (13) 1 post of Assistant Director of Rationing. Pay between Rs. 350 - and Rs. 550 -. The post is reserved for a Muslim. Qualifications: A candidate must be a graduate and have at least two years of general administrative experience in a reputable business firm. (14) 1 post of Assistant Director of Rice Procurement (Rice Mills). Pay between Rs. 400 - and Rs. 600 - The post is reserved for a Muslim. Qualifications: A candidate must have technical knowledge of rice milling and of assessing and grading of rice and paddy. He must have previous business experience of two years. He must at least have passed the Intermediate Examination. (15) 1 post of Assistant Director of Inspection and Control. Pay Rs. 500|-. The post is reserved for a Muslim. Qualifications: A candidate must have at least six years' practical experience of rice milling. He must be able to distinguish general characteristics of rice and paddy in good and deteriorated condition.

Note:—Where suitable candidates of the community for which a post is reserved are not available, it will be filled by suitable candidates belonging to other community. Candidates of all communities are accordingly invited to apply.

A candidate for any of the above posts must be a British subject or the subject of an Indian States in respect of whom a declaration under section 262(2) of the Government of India Act, 1935, has been issued. Other qualifications being the same, preference will be given to a candidate who is a native of or permanently domiciled in Bengal. He must be able to speak Bengali or Hindi or Urdu.

Candidates must not be under 25 or over 45 years of age on the 1st June, 1947. All the appointments are temporary and are terminable by Government on 30 days' notice without assigning any reason. Permanent Government servants are not eligible to apply. A temporary Government servant may apply provided his present pay together with 20% of it exceeds or equals the minimum pay of the post for which he is a candidate. Candidates should furnish the following information in their applications: (1) Name in full in block letters, (2) Home Address, (3) Present address, (4) Present age according to Matriculation certificate, (5) Father's name, (6) Academic Qualifications, (7) Experience, (8) Religion and caste, (9) Name of post for which he is a candidate. Applications for which no form has been prescribed, together with an attested copy of evidence of age as well as certificates from two responsible persons not related to the candidate or connected with him by marriage, testifying to his private character, should reach the Secretary, Public Service Commission, Bengal, Anderson House, Alipore, Calcutta, not later than the 30th May, 1947. Canvassing will disqualify. A treasury receipt for Rs. 5 must accompany every application. Candidates must clearly mention the name of the post for which they are applying on the envelop.

Applications from candidates who are in Government service will be rejected unless they are submitted through the appointing authority of their post or service.

P. B. RUDRA,
Secretary.
Alipore, the 7th May, 1947.
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NOTICE

TENDERS are invited for the Purchases of Waste (HARD & SOFT) from the India United Mills Ltd., No. I Mill and will be accepted upto 4 p.m. (S.T.) on Friday, the 16th May, 1947 in their Registered Office Tender copies can be obtained from Cotton Department, E. D. Sassoon Building, Dougall Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay. 3505

G.I.P. RLY.—TENDERS

THE DY. GENERAL MANAGER (Grainshops), G.I.P. Railway, Bombay V.T., will receive tenders on the prescribed form upto 3 P.M. on 29-5-47 for the supply of Vegetables at the Railway's godown at Shed No. 3 Wadi Bandar from 16-6-47. Tender documents may be obtained free of charge from the above office. (3484)

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY (SETH G. S. MEDICAL COLLEGE)

APPLICATIONS are invited from registered medical practitioners for the post of Hon. Asstt. Dental Surgeon at the K.E.M. Hospital and Seth G. S. M. College. Only persons holding post-graduate qualifications in Dentistry need apply. The other terms and conditions of service will be furnished by the Dean's office on application.

Applications on the prescribed form, which can be had from the Dean's office on payment of annas 8/- should reach the Dean on or before 28th May 1947.

Any canvassing will disqualify the candidate for appointment.

R. G. DHAYAGUDE.
Dean.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

Mr. R. N CHOPRA, B.A., LL.B., till lately Agency Manager of the Empire of India Life Assurance Co., Ltd., has joined the Jupiter General Insurance Co. Ltd., as its Life Manager. 3510

NOTICE

TENDERS are invited from Motor Transport Contractors on the approved list of the Provincial Motor Transport Controller for the Government of Bombay Civil Supplies Department Transport work in Bombay City and Suburbs with effect from 1-7-1947 Tenders should be on the following basis:—

(a) Ton-Mile rate, the minimum distance for any one movement being taken as one mile, and

(b) (1) Rate per truck per day of 9 hours including one hour's lunch Should any truck be required on any day beyond 9 hours proportionate increase per hour will be allowed.

(2) Rate per truck for half day of 5 hours This rate will primarily be applicable for movements for which ton-mile rate cannot be made applicable. The loading capacity of these trucks should be not less than 2½ tons per truck.

2. Further particulars as well as tender forms can be obtained from the undersigned on application. The tender should reach the undersigned before noon on 3-6-1947 The undersigned does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender

H. SAVAGE,
Director
Govt Transport Service,
Swadeshi Mills Estate,
Queen's Road, Bombay. 3504

G.I.P. RLY.—TENDERS.

THE Dy. GENERAL MANAGER (Grainshops), G.I.P. Railway, Bombay V.T., will receive tenders on the prescribed form upto 3 p.m. on 20-5-47 for the handling and Transport work at the Railway Grainshops at Igatpuri, Nasik, Nandgaon and Bhusaval. Tender documents may be obtained free of charge from the above office or from the Asst. Controller Grainshops, G.I.P. Railway at Bhusaval (3463)

G.I.P. RLY.—TENDERS

THE DY. GENERAL MANAGER (Grainshops), G.I.P. Railway, Bombay V.T., will receive tenders on the prescribed form upto 3 P.M. on 26-5-47 for the supply of Groundnut Oil at the Railway grainshop at Sholapur. Tender documents may be obtained free of charge from the above office or from the Asstt. Controller, Grainshops, G.I.P. Railway, at Poona. 3447

BIG AUCTION SALE IN GOA MATERIAL ESTIMATED AT A FEW MILLION RUPEES.

IT IS NOTIFIED that on the 15th May, 1947, a large quantity of goods and valuable material discharged from the unutilised boats viz., BRAUNFELS, DRACHENFELS and ANFORA, will be sold by public auction at W. I. P. Rly and Harbour Godown, MORMUGAO, Goa Chief among other articles, which are too many to mention, are:—

Galvanised Iron Coils, Glassware Printing and other class Paper, Tools, Crockery, Buttons, Umbrella Accessories, Motors for Workshop, Lanterns and their accessories, Stationery, Locks, Scales, Pencils, Stoves, Insulated Wire, Cotton Pieces goods, Rayon Goods, Cardboard Paper, Window Panes, Enamel Ware, Steel Bearing Balls, Varnish Aluminium Ware, Playing Cards, Iron Screws, Brushware, Cutlery, Car Acumulators "Aker" Sewing Machine Accessories, Copper Sheets, Wrapping Paper, Perfumery, Electric Fans, Clocks, Wire Netting, Barbed Wire, Petromax Lamps, Shaving Blades, Flat Iron Sheets, Brass Sheets, Rosin, Various Machine accessories, Galvanised Iron Piping, Iron Beams, Brass Discs, Chalk, Iron Bars, Iron Chains, Slates, Lamp Globe Watches, Steel Plates, Steel Beams, Galvanised Wire Coils, Iron Posts, Meecury in Bottles, Steel Ball Bearing, etc., etc.

Such lots of material as may be needed for Government requirements may be withdrawn from the sale.

For further particulars refer personally, by previous appointment by phone, No. 35477, to the Portuguese Trade Agent,
19A Cuffe Parade, Colaba, Bombay
or
The Chief of Customs, Mormugao, Goa.

By Order.
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UNIVERSITY OF BOMBAY DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY STUDIES.

THE FOURTH COURSE, consisting of three University terms, in the Department of Military Studies, University of Bombay, will start at the NOWROSJEE WADIA COLLEGE, POONA—1, on 1st July, 1947.

The Course which is part time only is designed to assist potential candidates for regular commissions in one of the three fighting services of India. In order to obtain full benefit from the course before presenting themselves before the Services Selection Board, students on entry to the Department should be 16 or 16 1/2 years of age. Those older—if found suitable—will be accepted, but the maximum age limit will be 18.

A test of suitability will be held at the NOWROSJEE WADIA COLLEGE, POONA—1 at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, the 25th June, by the University Selection Board before which all applicants must present themselves.

Both the Prospectus and Application forms can be obtained from:—
Head Clerk,
Nowrosjee Wadia College,
Poona—1.

Applications on the prescribed form must be submitted to the Director of Military Studies, C o Nowrosjee Wadia College by the 21st of June, 1947.

S. R. DONGERKERY.
Registrar,
University of Bombay
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